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Request of Special Agent in Charge, FBI,

for information concerning the case entitled

CP USA IS-C SF 100-11889

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Signed:

Robert F. Savage
Special Agent

Authority (Date) SFlet 1/10/57

APPROVED:

[Signature]
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Informant's File No.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: March 29, 1957

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889)
FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE
RE: CP, USA, DISTRICT 13
IS - C

The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on January 25, 1957, by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated January 23, 1957, is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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"Jan. 23, 1957

"Mr. C. E. ROBERTSON and DELMER BERG left for the State Convention of the Communist Party held in Los Angeles Calif. starting at 10: o'clock AM Jan. 19. BERG and ROBERTSON went by Greyhound Stage leaving Modesto at 11 PM January 18, arrived in Los Angeles 7:00 A.M. Jan 19. BERG & ROBERTSON had breakfast wandered around town awhile and BERG called up his mother who lives in Los Angeles. BERG &

1 - SF (100-11889)

[redacted] (SF 1604-S)
(100-27988) (DELMER BERG)
(100-26388) (CP STANISLAUS CO.)
(100-26239) (CP MEMBERSHIP)
(97-27) (DPW)
(100-25347) (CP POLITICAL ACTIVITIES)
(100-30717) (CP PARTY LINE)
(61-409) (CARL RUDE LAMBERT)
(100-2884) (LOUISE TODD LAMBERT)
(61-408) (HARRY KRAMER)
(100-29506) (HOWARD KEYLOR)
(100-21286) (CP SAN JOAQUIN CO.)

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"ROBERTSON proceeded by city bus to an out of the way catering hall where the meeting was to be held. On arrival each delegate had to sign up. No names, just age, union or not, male or female, white or colored, and \$1.00 entry fee. Each delegate was given a card. Green for delegate and red for alternate. Holders of a red card such as ROBERTSON recd. could talk but couldn't vote. Green cards could talk & vote both.

"Almost 200 or over people attended this meeting. From Los Angeles 113, San Francisco 32, East Bay 21, others 27 and 66 union members. This is not counting others that came in later. The delegates heard pro & con on making the PW into a weekly paper instead of a daily. A circulation drive is to be held from Feb. 1 to April 1. Members are to try and get 2500 new subs. Then they could change the paper back to a daily when all the debts were caught up on etc.

"Total funds taken in was over \$165.00 at the meeting. The plan is to work for socialism and later work toward communism in the United States. Motion was carried to amend the draft preamble. The Los Angeles Preamble prevails.

"There is a move to collect \$8,000 to send 32 delegates to the national convention in New York plus 13 alternates. Each member of the party will be assessed \$2.00 apiece for working members and \$50¢ per non workers & housewives.

"Members of the State board could not voice an opinion or vote at the meeting, but sat on the sidelines and listened. RUDY LAMBERT and his wife going by the name of LOUISE TODD were there and many others that this writer could never of hoped to get the names of.

"Our club owes \$2.00 per member for delegates going to New York and this money goes to a HARRY KRAMER.

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"The meeting of the 19th lasted until 10 o'clock P.M. starting again the next day at 9 o'clock and lasting until 5:30 P.M. Jan. 20 1956.

"HOWARD THOMPSON and another HOWARD from the Stockton group went to Los Angeles also, riding on another stage. BERG stayed in L.A. to see his mother and ROBERTSON rode back alone arriving in Modesto 5:00 AM and drove BERG's car home from Modesto. Then driving it back and parking it near the bus depot so BERG could have it when he got back from Los Angeles.

"s/ [redacted]

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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on February 9, 1957, that C. E. ROBERTSON and DELMER BERG were the delegates from the Stanislaus county CP to the CP State convention. Informant further advised on February 9, 1957, that DELMER BERG is to represent the outlying counties at the National CP convention in New York City in February, 1957.

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SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, on 2/26/57. This report, dated 2/18/57, is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
February 18, 1957

"The Howard Keylor home was the location of a Communist Party meeting on Friday evening, February 1, 1957 and the following were present:

"Howard and Evangeline Keylor
Jack Jilbert
Howard and Lulu Mae Thompson

"Howard Keylor and Howard Thompson, Delegate and alternate to the State Convention of the Communist Party which was held in Los Angeles on January 19th and 20th, gave a lengthy report on the Convention which took up most of the evening.

"After Lulu Mae Thompson read a letter from the People's World asking the Club to give special attention to the paper and its need for subscriptions, the names of the subscribers were read over by Howard Keylor and each member took several people to contact. Lulu Mae and Evangeline made arrangements to go out together.

"The next meeting of the Club will be on February

1 - San Francisco (100-21286)

ccs: (1) - [redacted] (SF 1604-S)

- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - SF 100-11889 (CP, USA, DISTRICT 13)
- 1 - SF 100-29506 (HOWARD KEYLOR)
- 1 - SF 100-31446 (EVANGELINE KEYLOR)
- 1 - SF 100-20472 (JACK JILBERT)
- 1 - SF 97-27 (DPW)

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21st at the Keylor home.

"s/ [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 3/14/57 that HOWARD KEYLOR is chairman of the San Joaquin County CP. Informant further advised that HOWARD KEYLOR and HOWARD THOMPSON from the San Joaquin County CP, attended the State CP convention in Los Angeles on 1/19,20/57.

ACTION: File.

SAC, SF (100-21206)

4/18/57

SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

CP ACTIVITIES, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
IS - C

The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 4/2/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 3/29/57, concerns a meeting of the San Joaquin County Communist Party held on 3/20/57 at Stockton, Calif. This report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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"Report on the Communist Party
"Stockton, California
"March 29, 1957

"There was a meeting of the Communist Party at the Howard Keylor home on Wednesday evening, March 20, 1957 and the following people were present:

"Howard and Lulu Mae Thompson
"Howard and Evangeline Keylor
"Jack Jilbert

"The meeting was called to order by Howard Keylor at about 10 minutes past 8:00 PM and Lulu Mae Thompson collected the following dues:

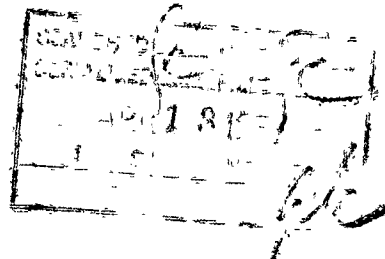
"Howard and Evangeline Keylor paid February dues

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cc: [redacted] (SF 1604-S)

100-29506 (HOWARD KEYLOR)
100-31146 (EVANGELINE KEYLOR)
100-20472 (IRVING JOHN JILBERT)
100-25005 (CP FUNDS)
100-11809 (CP, USA, DISTRICT 13)

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"Howard and Lulu Mae Thompson paid January and February Dues.
"Jack Gilbert paid for April, May, and June
"Howard Keylor paid to November 1st for Lura Woods, this
being money she had sent him to use for dues and literature.

"Howard Keylor and Howard Thompson spent the rest of the
meeting reporting on the State Convention which they attended
in San Francisco on March 16th and 17th.

"If the Northern District Conference is not to be held
before the 31st of March, the next meeting of the Club will
be held on April 3rd when delegates to the meeting will be
elected.

"s/

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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT SAVAGE on 4/9/57 that
the CP State Convention is to be held in San Francisco on 4/13/57
and that HOWARD THOMPSON and LULU MAE THOMPSON will be the delegate
and alternate from the San Joaquin County CP. Informant could
furnish no additional information.

ACTION: FILE.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC (100-32500)

FROM : SA ROBERT J. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: DEFECTED COMMUNIST FILE

DATE: 4/15/57

R.L. WARREN was interviewed by Bureau Agents at Yakima, Washington, on 1/21/57, at which time he furnished information regarding the San Joaquin County Communist Party and individual CP members in the Stockton, California, area. This information is maintained in San Francisco file 100-27508-150 and in San Francisco file 100-27502-123.

Copies of this memorandum are being designated to the case files of individuals mentioned by WARREN as having been connected with the San Joaquin County CP.

100-21286 (CF, San Joaquin Co.)
100-9983 (FTA)
100-31486 (VINCE CABEBE)
100-42627 (VICTORINO CABEBE)
100-25484 (ROBERTA MONTGOMERY)
100-4418 (JACK MONTGOMERY)
100-23805 (PABLO VALDEZ)
100-21829 (GREGORY BERGMAN)
100-6258A (LINU)
100-21784 (AL BALATTI)
100-28425 (LEILA NOLAND)
100-11136 (BOB NOLAND)
100-27502 (JOY WARREN)
100-27660 (PHIL DAVENPORT)
100-17296 (PAT VERBLE)
100-28921 (LORNO BALLARD)
100-23253 (WALTER MICHENER)
100-28635 (BOOTS YOUNGQUIST)
100-29506 (HK)
[redacted] (SF 1604-S)
100-29505 (JACK DODSON)
100-31335 (DAVE FORBES)
100-29583 (VERA BALLARD)
100-22164 (ARTHUR FENNEL)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889) DATE: 4/11/57
FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE
SUBJECT: CP, USA, DISTRICT 13
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 2/26/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 2/18/57, is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
February 18, 1957

"On Thursday evening, February 14, 1957, Rudie Lambert stopped at the Howard Thompson home just as they had finished eating their supper. A plate was put on for him and he had supper.

"While he was eating he remarked that he had been up in Butte County and had stopped at Sacramento. The purpose of the trip was to try and build the subscription drive for the People's World. He said Sacramento was not meeting until March 8th and he was pleased to learn that Stockton had already had a meeting and taken action on the drive.

1 - San Francisco (100-11889)

ccs: 1 - [redacted] (SF 1604-S)

- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - SF 100-21286 (CP, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY)
- 1 - SF 61-409 (CARL RUDE LAMBERT)
- 1 - SF 100-21287 (CP, BUTTE COUNTY)
- 1 - SF 100-17989 (CP, SACRAMENTO COUNTY)
- 1 - SF 97-27 (DPW)
- 1 - SF 100-27988 (DELMER BERG)
- 1 - SF 100-26388 (CP, STANISLAUS COUNTY)
- 1 - SF 100-25085 (CP FUNDS)

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"He stated that Del Berg of Modesto had been one of the delegates to the National Convention because enough money had been raised to send some of those elected alternates and he suggested that, since San Joaquin County would be meeting on Thursday, February 21st, they should ask Del to attend and make a report.

"He said that the next session of the State Convention will be held in the North, either San Francisco or Oakland and he said he thought an exception could be made to allow Lulu Mae Thompson to attend with Howard.

"Lulu Mae Thompson turned in October, November and December dues and \$13.47 for the Southern Solidarity Fund from San Joaquin County.

"/s/ [redacted]

[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 3/8/57 that CARL RUDIE LAMBERT is the CP State Committee representative to the Northern California outlying counties. Informant further advised that DELMER BERG attended the CP National Convention in New York City in February, 1957. [redacted] further advised that the State convention referred to as being held in San Francisco or Oakland is the CP State Convention.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-21286) DATE: 4/11/57
FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE
SUBJECT: CP ACTIVITIES, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
IS - C

The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 3/4/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 2/28/57, is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
February 28, 1957

"Delmer Berg of Modesto arrived at the Howard Thompson home for dinner at about 6:30 PM on Thursday evening, February 21, 1957. Following dinner, Jack Jilbert arrived at about 7:30 PM and they all went into Stockton to the Howard Keylor home in the Thompson's car for a meeting of the Communist Party.

"The following people were present for the meeting:

"Jack Jilbert
Delmer Berg
Howard and Lulu Mae Thompson

1 - San Francisco (100-21286)

ccs: 1 - [redacted] (SF 1604-S)

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- 1 - SF 100-26388 (CP, STANISLAUS COUNTY)
- 1 - SF 100-11889 (CP, USA, DISTRICT 13)
- 1 - SF 100-27988 (DELMER BERG)
- 1 - SF 100-29506 (HOWARD KEYLOR)
- 1 - SF 100-31446 (EVANGELINE KEYLOR)
- 1 - SF 100-20472 (JACK JILBERT)
- 1 - SF 100-30717 (CP PARTY LINE)

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Howard and Evangeline Keylor

"Howard Keylor opened the meeting and suggested that Delmer Berg be given all the time for his report on the National Convention. This was agreed to. Berg's report dealt mostly with the positions taken by the delegates rather than on the legislation passed. He had not had time to organize a formal report so he gave a general view and stated that the delegates did not support either of the groups which were strong right and left, but instead, were very determined in their support of middle course.

"Berg said he would like to have a meeting after the State Convention to which all people sympathetic to the cause in both Stanislaus and San Joaquin County could be invited. He would then give a report on the conventions.

"There was no date set for another meeting.

"/s/ [redacted]

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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 3/21/57 that the above meeting was a meeting of the San Joaquin County CP held in Stockton, California on 2/21/57. Informant further advised that DELMER BERG is chairman of the Stanislaus County CP, and that BERG's report was so poor that little information of value was furnished by BERG regarding the National CP convention in New York City.

ACTION: File.

SAC, SF (100-21236)

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SA ROBERT F. DAVIES

CP ACTIVITIES, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. DAVIES on 4/2/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 3/29/57, concerns a meeting of the San Joaquin County Communist Party held on 3/20/57 at Stockton, Calif. This report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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"Report on the Communist Party
"Stockton, California
"March 29, 1957

"There was a meeting of the Communist Party at the Howard Koyler home on Wednesday evening, March 20, 1957 and the following people were present:

"Howard and Lulu Lee Thompson
"Howard and Evangeline Koyler
"Jack Jilbert

"The meeting was called to order by Howard Koyler at about 10 minutes past 8:00 PM and Lulu Lee Thompson collected the following dues:

"Howard and Evangeline Koyler paid February dues

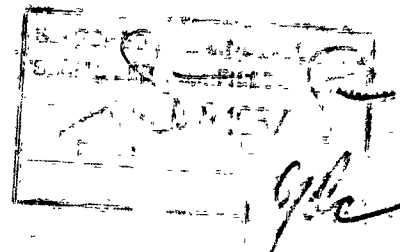
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cc: [redacted]

100-29506 (HOWARD KOYLER)
100-31146 (EVANGELINE KOYLER)
100-30472 (JACK JILBERT)
100-25003 (CP NEWS)
100-11002 (CP, USA, DISTRICT 13)

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"Howard and Lulu Mae Thompson paid January and February Dues

"Jack Jilbert paid for April, May, and June

"Howard Keylor paid to November 1st for Lura Woods, this being money she had sent him to use for dues and literature.

"Howard Keylor and Howard Thompson spent the rest of the meeting reporting on the State Convention which they attended in San Francisco on March 16th and 17th.

"If the Northern District Conference is not to be held before the 31st of March, the next meeting of the Club will be held on April 3rd when delegates to the meeting will be elected.

"s/ [redacted]

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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT SAVAGE on 4/9/57 that the CP State Convention is to be held in San Francisco on 4/13/57 and that HOWARD THOMPSON and LULU MAE THOMPSON will be the delegate and alternate from the San Joaquin County CP. Informant could furnish no additional information.

ACTION: FILE

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-27348) DATE: 4/11/57
FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE
SUBJECT: BERNARD DE VETO
SM - C

The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 2/26/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 2/18/57, is set out verbatim and the original is filed in [redacted]

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"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
February 18, 1957

"Howard and Lulu Mae Thompson went to Roseville on Saturday morning, February 9, 1957 to meet Barney Deveto and to attend an auction. They left home at about 7:20 AM and stopped for a few minutes at the Gorin's in Sacramento. They had some jelly glasses for Marie. She was gone but Art was home and Marie's aunt was also there. The Thompsons had a cup of coffee before going on to Roseville.

"There wasn't any opportunity to discuss the Communist Party with Barney because there was always a crowd around.

"/s/ [redacted]

1 - San Francisco (100-27348)

ccs: 1 - [redacted] (SF 1604-S)

1 - [redacted]

1 - SF 100-31414 (CP, YUBA COUNTY)

1 - SF 100-17989 (CP, SACRAMENTO COUNTY)

1 - SF 100-31412 (CP, PLACER COUNTY)

1 - SF 100-21286 (CP, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY)

1 - SF 100-32000 (MARIE GORIN)

1 - SF 65-1561 (ART GORIN)

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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 3/15/57 that BERNARD DE VETO represented the Marysville area CP group at the State CP convention held at Los Angeles, California on 1/19,20/57. Informant further advised that MARIE GORIN is the nominal head of the Sacramento CP. According to the informant, the THOMPSONs are leaders in the San Joaquin County CP.

ACTION: File.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC [REDACTED]

4/19/57

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FROM: LA LEWIS H. JOHNSON

RE: REPORTS OF CSSF 2276-S*

(Lot # 10 dated 3/25/57, HQ 800-HQ 1067)

Attached to this memoradnu, to be considered a part of this memorandum, are photographs or photostat copies of photographs of material relative to Communist Party District 13 matters which were furnished on 3/25/57, by CSSF 2276-S*. (documentation not necessary). The attached items are copies of material maintained at Communist Party Headquarters, 942 Market Street, San Francisco, and are to be filed in the case files of the individuals or organizations they concern.

The numbers appearing in the upper right-hand margin of each copy represent the numerical order in which the photographs were received. Each subsequent lot will be numbered consecutively after the preceding one.

Original photographs of this material received from CSSF 2276-S*, as well as the developed film, will be filed as a bulky exhibit in [REDACTED]

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Generally, a copy has been designated for the files of all SF subjects. Where subjects of other offices are concerned, copies have been sent to appropriate offices.

So long as this source is active, the name and address of the custodian of this material should not be revealed in any investigative report or through any means of dissemination. When the information must be reported and it is not possible to paraphrase so as to adequately protect the source, a cover letter should be attached to the report requesting the Bureau not to disseminate the information. For any analysis of this material, refer to [REDACTED] in chronological order.

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cc: [REDACTED]
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REGISTRATION

CLUB Stockton
San Joaquin County

SECTION _____

DIVISION _____

COUNTY San JoaquinAGE 47 MALE (☒) FEMALE ()UNION MEMBERSHIP: YES ☒ NO _____LENGTH OF MEMBERSHIP 9 years

DELEGATE _____

ALTERNATE ←

VISITOR _____

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REGISTRATION STATE CONVENTION

CLUB Stockton

SECTION _____

DIVISION _____

COUNTY San Joaquin

AGE 49 MALE ☒ FEMALE _____

UNION MEMBERSHIP: YES ☒ NO _____

LENGTH OF MEMBERSHIP 8 years

DELEGATE _____ ALTERNATE ☒ VISITOR _____

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC,

FROM : SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

DATE: 4/22/57

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SUBJECT: SF 1604-S

C.I. ✓ P.C.I. S.I. X P.S.I.

DATES OF CONTACT: 3/19,21,22/57; 4/2,4,9,15,10/57

TITLES AND FILE #s ON WHICH CONTACTED:

CP, USA, DISTRICT 13 (100-11889)
CP SAN JOAQUIN CO. (100-21286)

PURPOSE AND RESULTS OF CONTACT:

Negative: Positive: X
3/19,21,22/57
4/2,4,9,10,15/57

PERSONAL DATA:

RATING ExcellentCOVERAGE CP in N. Calif.

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ASAC
Request of ~~Special Agent in Charge~~, FBI;

for information concerning the case entitled

CP USA IS-C SF 100-11889

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Signed:

Robert F. Savage
Special Agent

Authority (Date) SFlet 1/10/57

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TO: SAC, _____

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For information

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For appropriate action

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<i>Robert Savage</i> <i>PTJ</i>	

SAC, San Francisco (100-20472)

May 1, 1957

SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

IRVING JOHN JILBERT
IS - C

The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 4/10/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 4/9/57, is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
April 9, 1957

"At about 6:30 PM on Monday, April 1, 1957, HOWARD and LULU MAE THOMPSON arrived at JACK JILBERT's home for a visit. They stayed about one hour and during that time they discussed with JACK the problem of HOWARD KEYLOR and the fact that he had not reported to the Club on the fact that he intended to take part in the meetings of the Committee on Arrangements for the Northern District Convention which will be held on April 13th.

"It was decided that it would be advisable to elect a new delegate to the convention at the next meeting of the Club.

"/s/ [redacted]

[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 4/17/57, that the Northern District convention referred to in the report is the Northern District Communist Party convention and the Club is the San Joaquin County Communist Party. Informant advised that all persons referred to in this report are members of the San Joaquin County Communist Party.

Action. File.

100-20472

cc: [redacted] (SF 1604-S)

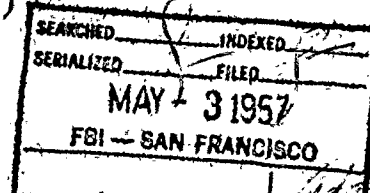
100-29506 (HOWARD KEYLOR)

100-21286 (CP, SAN JOAQUIN CO.)

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Read by: *RFB*

Reviewed by: *EPD*



SAC, San Francisco (100-21286)

May 1, 1957

SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

CP ACTIVITIES, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 4/17/57, by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 4/17/57, concerns a meeting of the San Joaquin County Communist Party held at Stockton, California on 4/10/57. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
April 17, 1957

"A meeting of the San Joaquin County Club of the Communist Party was held on Wednesday evening, April 10, 1957 at the home of the HOWARD KEYLORS. Those present for the meeting were:

"HOWARD and EVANGELINE KEYLOR
HOWARD and LULU MAE THOMPSON

"The meeting was called to order at about 8:15 PM by the chairman, HOWARD KEYLOR. As the first order of business the dues were collected by LULU MAE THOMPSON from the following:

"HOWARD THOMPSON	March dues	\$ 3.00
LULU MAE THOMPSON	"	.50
HOWARD KEYLOR	"	10.00
EVANGELINE KEYLOR	"	.50

"Discussion for the evening centered around the convention scheduled for Saturday, April 13th in San Francisco and organizational plans for the Northern District and the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley.

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cc: [redacted]

(SF 1604-S)

100-29506 (HOWARD KEYLOR)

100-31446 (EVANGELINE KEYLOR)

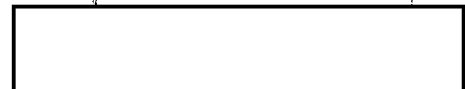
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"The next meeting of the Club will be held on Wednesday evening, April 24, 1957 unless action must be taken earlier on information received at the Convention.

"/s/

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[redacted] was thoroughly interviewed by SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 4/24/57, and could furnish no additional information.

ACTION: File.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, San Francisco (100-21286)

FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: CP ACTIVITIES, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
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DATE: 5/2/57

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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 4/10/57, by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 4/9/57, concerns a meeting of the San Joaquin County Communist Party held at Lathrop, California on 4/3/57. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
April 9, 1957

"The Communist Party of San Joaquin County met at the HOWARD THOMPSON home on Wednesday evening, April 3, 1957, and the following people attended:

"JACK JILBERT
HOWARD and LULU MAE THOMPSON
HOWARD and EVANGELINE KEYLOR

"The THOMPSONs had invited JACK JILBERT to come early for dinner and the KEYLORS came in at about ten minutes past 8:00 PM. KEYLOR opened the meeting at about 8:15 PM. No dues were collected so HOWARD KEYLOR went right into his report on the activities of the Arrangements Committee for the Northern

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100-21286

cc: [redacted] (SF 1604-S)

100-29506 (HOWARD KEYLOR)
100-31446 (EVANGELINE KEYLOR)
100-20472 (JACK JILBERT)
100-11889 (CP, USA, DISTRICT 13)
100-25085 (CP FUNDS)
100-27747 (CP ORGANIZATION)
61-409 (CARL RUDE LAMBERT)
100-2884 (LOUISE TODD LAMBERT)
100-26056 (WES BODKIN)
100-23999 (BOB LINDSEY)
65-1242 (MICKIE LIMA)

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District Convention which he stated will be held on Saturday, April 13th, either in Berkeley or San Francisco. Representation at the Convention will be based on one delegate and alternate for each five members or major fraction thereof. The proposed structure for the district will be to elect a "board" of 21 members, seven of these to be chosen at large at the convention and the remaining 21 to be elected in the Clubs. Basis of representation will be as follows:

"East Bay-----4
San Francisco-----4
Santa Clara-----3
1st Congressional-----2
Sacramento-San Joaquin-1

"KEYLOR stated that he and DELMER BERG thought it would be too difficult to get everyone in the Valley together to elect their representative, so they had suggested that he or she be nominated in a caucus at the convention and then be elected by referendum. He then proposed that the convention be asked to authorize a meeting of those in the valley to set up an organization of the Clubs. LULU MAE THOMPSON said that the election of a representative could be handled at the same meeting and she expressed her objections to the fact that HOWARD KEYLOR had not reported to the Club before as to his intentions of attending the arrangements committee meetings and the fact that so much that he was reporting seemed to be an accomplished fact without consultation with the club members. After a great deal of discussion, delegates were elected to the convention. HOWARD THOMPSON was the only one nominated for delegate, so he was elected by declaration. LULU MAE THOMPSON was successful in defeating JACK JILBERT and HOWARD KEYLOR for alternate.

"HOWARD THOMPSON suggested that it would benefit the valley if they could elect someone on the group of 7 at large board members who is familiar with the problems peculiar to the district, and the Club voted to support the following people in order of preference: RUDIE LAMBERT, LOUISE TODD, WES BODKIN and BOB LINDSEY.

"A copy of the minutes of the Arrangements Committee for March 21st is enclosed. HOWARD KEYLOR gave it to LULU MAE THOMPSON to read.

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"The Club will meet again on Wednesday evening,
April 10th at the KEYLOR home.

"/s/ [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on
4/17/57, that HOWARD and LULA MAE THOMPSON represented San
Joaquin County CP at the State CP convention held on 4/13/57,
at San Francisco, California. Informant further advised that
the valley CP members are voting for their representatives (2)
to the State Committee, and that HOWARD THOMPSON has been
designated by MICKIE LIMA to receive and count the votes.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889)

DATE: May 10, 1957

FROM : SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: CP, USA, DISTRICT 13
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8 - Los Angeles (REG)

(1- 100-) (CP, USA, DISTRICT 13)
 (1- 100-) (FRANK GEORGE)
 (1- 100-22798) (JAMES HARRISON BALLARD)
 (1- 100-) (CP MERCED CO.)
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1 - [redacted] (SF 1604-S)

1 - [redacted]
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 1 - 100-25463 (LORETTA STACK)
 1 - 61-525 (WALTER STACK)
 1 - 100-34591 (GRACE FORBES)
 1 - 100-31335 (DAVE FORBES)
 1 - 100-27988 (DELMER BERG)
 1 - 100-36248 (JOE FIGUERIDO)
 1 - 100-31391 (LILLIAN RANSOME)
 1 - 100-2884 (LOUISE TODD)
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 1 - 61-415 (AL RICHMOND)
 1 - 100-23984 (MASON ROBESON)
 1 - 61-414 (OLETA YATES)
 1 - 97-26 (WM. SCHNEIDERMAN)
 1 - 65-1242 (MICKIE LIMA)
 1 - 61-398 (ARCHIE BROWN)
 1 - 100-23999 (BOB LINDSEY)
 1 - 100-30116 (LYNN CHILDS)
 1 - 100-5867 (JOE MORRIS)
 1 - 101-120 (BILLIE WACHTER)
 1 - 100-26981 (OZZO MORROW)
 1 - 100-17111 (LEE KUTNICK)
 1 - 100-22198 (FRANCES FINK)
 1 - 100-29302 (RALPH IZARD)
 1 - 100-21889 (MERLE BRODSKY)
 1 - 61-395 (LEO BAROWAY)
 1 - 100-26056 (WES BODKIN)
 1 - 100-27346 (KEN HOWARD)

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1 - 100-21480 (DECCA TRAUHAFT)
 1 - 100-10323 (ERNIE FOX)
 1 - 100-32523 (ERNEST GURR)
 1 - 97-27 (DPW)
 1 - 100-33548 (FEPC)
 1 - 100-11128 (AL STANLEY)
 1 - 100-26072 (MARTIN LUDWIG)
 1 - 100-4987 (MATT CRAWFORD)
 1 - 100-34639 (LEIBEL BERGMAN)
 1 - 100-25085 (CP FUNDS)
 1 - 100-27747 (CP ORGANIZATION)
 1 - 100-30717 (CP PARTY LINE)
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 1 - 100-21286 (CP SAN JOAQUIN CO.)
 1 - 100-26388 (CP STANISLAUS CO.)
 1 - 100-36603 (FRANK GEORGE)
 1 - 100-20238 (JAMES BALLARD)
 1 - 100-27348 (BARNEY DEVETO)

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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on April 17, 1957, by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated April 17, 1957, concerns the Northern California District Communist Party Convention held on April 13, 1957, at San Francisco, California. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
April 17, 1957

"The Northern California District of the Communist Party held a convention in California Hall, Polk and Taylor Streets, San Francisco, on Saturday, April 13, 1957. The Northern District represents all the Party's organizations from Lindsey north. The convention voted to have the Credentials Committee report included in the minutes of the session, but read from the floor, so the exact number at the convention is not known. Following is a list of persons known to be present:

Loretta Stack	Mickie Lima
Walter Stack	Archie Brown
Grace Forbes	Bob Lindsey
Dave Forbes	Lynn Childs
Delmer Berg	Joe Morris
Jim Ballard	Laible
Frank George	Billie Wachter
Joe Figaroto (spelling?)	Ozzo Morrow
Lillian Ransom	Lee Kutnick
Howard Thompson	Tom Mac Pherson
Lulu Mae Thompson	Frances Fink
Barney DeVeto	Ralph Izzard
Louise Todd	Merle Brotsky
Rudie Lambert	Leo Barroway
Al Richmond	Wes Bodkin
Mason Robeson	Ken Howard
Oleta O'Connor Yates	Decca Treuhaf
Bill Schneiderman	Ernie Fox

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"Before the convention was called to order, Rudie Lambert took Lulu Mae Thompson to one side and asked her if she would take a note to Ed Gurr of Merced for him. He stated he had received a loan from Gurr for the People's World and he did not want to send the demand note to him through the mail and he felt he could trust her to deliver it. The amount of the loan was \$500.00. Lulu Mae Thompson told him she would see that the paper reached Gurr.

"Bill Schneiderman called the convention to order at about 10:30 AM and in his opening statements remarked that the Party must continue to work for FEPC and to increase the circulation of the People's World. At the recommendation of the Arrangements Committee, Loretta Stack was elected to chair the convention. Ralph Izzard and Grace Forbes were chosen as the secretaries and Walter Stack as parliamentarian and Ozzo Morrow as Sargaent at Arms.

"A recess of 15 minutes was declared and caucuses were called so that each area could choose one member to represent them on the following committees:

Rules Committee
Press and Resolutions Committee
Elections and Balloting Committee

"Howard Thompson was elected to chair the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley caucus and Delmer Berg was chosen to represent the Valley on the Rules Committee since he was already the Arrangements Committee representative on that committee. Frank George was elected to serve on the Elections and Balloting Committee and Jim Ballard was put on the Press and Resolutions Committee.

"When the convention was again called to order all the delegates elected to these committees were excused so that the committees could meet and the remaining delegates listened to a report on labor which was read by Joe Figaroto.

"The Arrangements Committee had prepared a report on the proposed organization of the District and

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this report was read and explained by Oleta O'Connor Yates. The Convention voted to accept the proposed organization except to add another committee member and the added member was allocated to the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley. A copy of the proposed organization is enclosed.

"A 30 minute lunch recess was declared at about 1:15 PM and when the convention reconvened, Archie Brown was elected chairman. At the suggestion of the Elections and Balloting Committee, the convention voted to not allow any one to be nominated for office unless they were either present or would allow the use of their full name on the floor and on the ballot. Nominations were then opened for the following offices:

- 1 district chairman
- 7 district committee members
- 3 national committeemen

"A recess was declared for caucuses for nominations and the representatives from the 1st Congressional District and Santa Clara-Santa Cruz asked that the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley delegates meet with them. Bob Lindsey was chosen as chairman and several names were suggested for each office and then the Valley delegates held their own caucus because they had to nominate candidates for their representatives to the District Committee. These representatives will be elected by referendum vote. The following were nominated:

- Howard O. Thompson
- Lulu Mae Thompson
- Howard Keylor
- Delmer Berg
- Jim Ballard
- Barney Deveto
- Lillian Ransom

"The chairman called the convention to order and the following names were presented as candidates for each office:

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District Chairman: Mickie Lima
National Committee:

Mickie Lima
Bill Schneiderman
Laible
Walter Stack
Joe Figaroto

District Committee:

Billie Wachter
Louise Todd
Al Stanley (not present)
Ozzo Morrow
Matt Crawford (not present)
Archie Brown
Joe Figaroto
Oleta Yates
Laible
Bill Schneiderman
Walter Stack
Lee Kutnik
Tom MacPherson
Martin L. (not present)
Frances Fink
Al Richmond
Ralph Izzard

"Each of the nominees was allowed three minutes for an acceptance speech, followed by balloting. During the time needed to count the ballots, Al Richmond gave a report on the People's World and presented a resolution establishing the fund drive goal of 90,000 dollars with a quota of 65,000 for the Southern District, 26,000 for the Northern District and 9,000 for all other areas served by the paper. Decca Treuhaf then presented an amendment to the resolution asking that an advisory committee for the paper be established and that it be made up of non-Party people as well as Party members. The resolution and amendment were accepted.

"Because the balloting committee needed more time the hall was rented for another hour so the convention

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could remain in session until 7:00 PM. The committee made their report at about 6:30 PM and the officers elected were:

District Chairman: Mickie Lima
National Committee Members:

Joe Figaroto
Mickie Lima
Bill Schneiderman

District Committee Members:

Joe Figaroto
Archie Brown
Frances Fink
Oleta Yates
Bill Schneiderman
Louise Todd
Matt Crawford

"These are listed in the order of the number of votes received.

"The chairman closed the convention at 6:50 PM. Howard Thompson approached the District Chairman, Mickie Lima and asked him how the referendum vote for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley District Committee members should be handled and Lima told him that the total votes in each club should be sent to Thompson, as chairman of the Valley caucus.

"Barney DeVeto and Lillian Ransom took Delmer Berg to Sacramento with them. He had gone to the convention with the Thompsons and he told them he would pick his car up on Monday.

/s/ [redacted]

[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on April 24, 1957, that the Valley counties, including Tulare County north, will be included in the Northern District of the CP. Informant advised that Kern county will be included in the Southern District of the CP.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 5/20/57 b7D

FROM : SA Robert F. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: SF 1604-S

C.I. _____ P.C.I. _____ S.I. ☒ P.S.I. _____

DATES OF CONTACT: 4/24, 29/57 ; 5/2, 7, 18/57

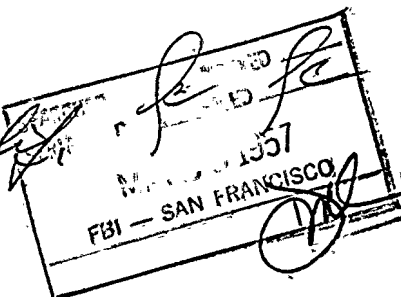
TITLES AND FILE #s ON WHICH CONTACTED:

CP, USA, District 13 (100-11889)
CP SAN JOAQUIN Co. (100-21286)

PURPOSE AND RESULTS OF CONTACT:

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5/2, 7, 18/57

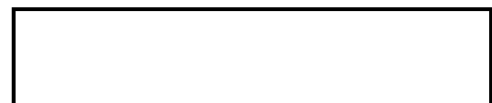
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Request of Special Agent in Charge, FBI,

for information concerning the case entitled

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Signed:

Special Agent

Authority (Date) SFlet 1/10/57

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Informant's File No.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Date: 6/4/57

To : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-21286)
From : SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE
Subject: CP ACTIVITIES
SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 5/18/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 5/15/57, concerns a meeting of the San Joaquin County Communist Party held at Lathrop, California on 5/3/57. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
May 15, 1957

"The Communist Party of San Joaquin County held a meeting at the Howard Thompson home on Friday evening, May 3, 1957 and the following people were present:-

1 - [redacted] (SF 1604-S)

100-20472 (IRVING JOHN JILBERT)
100-29506 (HOWARD KEYLOR)
100-26165 (CP PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS)
100-27747 (CP ORGANIZATION)
100-31146 (EVANGELINE KEYLOR)
61-395 (LEO BAROWAY)
97-27 (DFW)
100-25085 (CP FUNDS)
100-33548 (FEPC)
100-11596 (NAACP)
100-25347 (CP POLITICAL ACTIVITIES)
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"HOWARD and LULU MAE THOMPSON
JACK JILBERT
HOWARD KEYLOR

"The Club chairman, HOWARD KEYLOR opened the meeting at about 8:00 PM. LULU MAE THOMPSON read a letter from the International Book Store in San Francisco which stated that they could supply copies of Political Affairs and Masses and Mainstream. Those present ordered copies of both.

"Ballots were then cast for the two District Committee members to be elected in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley and they were put in a sealed envelope until the time when EVANGELINE KEYLOR's vote could be counted with them. KEYLOR stated he would mail a ballot to LURA WOODS.

"KEYLOR had a letter from LEO BARROWAY asking the Club to accept a quota of \$200.00 in the People's World Fund Drive. After some discussion the quota was accepted and the idea of making dill pickles for the bazaar was discussed, HOWARD THOMPSON stated he would rather donate two days pay if HOWARD KEYLOR would do the same because he felt it would be less expensive in the long run. KEYLOR agreed to this.

"The only other discussion for the meeting centered around FEPC and the role JILBERT and KEYLOR were taking in the NAACP and the Democratic Clubs in this campaign.

"The next meeting was set for Friday evening, May 17, 1957, at the KEYLOR home."

"/s/ [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was thoroughly interviewed by SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 5/18/57 and could furnish no additional information.

ACTION: File

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

United States Government

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889) DATE: 6/11/57

FROM : SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: CP, USA, DISTRICT 13
IS-C

The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 6/3/57 by [] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 5/27/57, concerns a proposed meeting of representatives from the Valley CP clubs for the purpose of organizing the CP in this area. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in []

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
May 27, 1957

"On Friday, May 17, 1957, LULU MAE THOMPSON sent out letters to the following:

"LILLIAN RANSOME
MARIE GORIN
DELMER BERG
JIM BALLARD
FRANK GEORGE

CC:

(SF 1604-S)

100-31391 (LILLIAN RANSOME) Wheatland
100-32000 (MARIE GORIN) Sacramento
100-27988 (DELMER BERG) Modesto
100-20238 (JAMES H. BALLARD) Lindsay
100-36603 (FRANK GEORGE) Fresno
100-21287 (BUTTE CO. CP)
100-31414 (YUBA CO. CP)
100-36363 (SUTTER CO. CP)
100-17989 (SACRAMENTO CO. CP)
100-21286 (SAN JOAQUIN CO. CP)
100-26388 (STANISLAUS CO. CP)

CC: LOS ANGELES (4)
100-22798 (JAMES H. BALLARD)
100-28272 (FRANK GEORGE)
100-16827 (TULARE CO. CP)
100-16828 (FRESNO CO. CP)

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"This letter called a meeting for June 9, 1957 to start organizing the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley. The meeting is supposed to start at 11:00 AM and will be held at the HOWARD THOMPSON home. She did not have any address for FRANK GEORGE of Fresno, so she mailed his letter to JIM BALLARD and asked that it be forwarded.

/s/ [redacted]

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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 6/3/57 that the voting for representatives to the Northern District Committee of the CP has been completed, and LULA MAE THOMPSON from Stockton and LILLIAN RANSOME from Wheatland have been elected. Meeting on 6/9/57 is to be in Stockton, Calif.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

United States Government

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-21286) DATE: 6/11/57
FROM : SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE
SUBJECT: CP ACTIVITIES, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 6/3/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 5/27/57, concerns a meeting of the San Joaquin County CP held on 5/17/57 at Stockton, California. The report is set out verbatim, and the original is maintained in [redacted]

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
May 27, 1957

"The Communist Party held a meeting at the HOWARD KEYLOR home on Friday evening, May 17, 1957 and those at the meeting were:

"HOWARD and LULU MAE THOMPSON
HOWARD and EVANGELINE KEYLOR

"The meeting was opened by HOWARD KEYLOR and LULU MAE THOMPSON gave a report on the meeting of the District Committee which she had attended in San Francisco on Sunday, May 12, 1957. She announced that a meeting would be held at the Thompson home on June 9, at 11:00 AM for the purpose of organizing the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley and she and HOWARD KEYLOR were selected as the Clubs representatives at this meeting.

"There was a discussion of the People's World Fund Drive and LULU MAE THOMPSON reported that she had turned in HOWARD THOMPSON's first days pay when she was in San Francisco and HOWARD KEYLOR reported that he will send his in before June 1st.

cc:

[redacted]

[redacted] (SF 1604-S)
100-29506 (HOWARD KEYLOR)
100-31446 (EVANGELINE KEYLOR)
97-27 (DPW)
100-25085 (CP FUNDS)
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"LURA WOODS had sent her vote for District Committee members to HOWARD KEYLOR and he turned it over to LULU MAE THOMPSON.

"The Club will meet next on Friday night, May 31, 1957, at the HOWARD KEYLOR home.

/s/



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 was thoroughly interviewed by SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 6/3/57 and could furnish no additional information.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

United States Government

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889) DATE: 6/12/57

FROM : SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: CP, USA, DISTRICT 13
IS-C

The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 5/18/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 5/15/57, concerns a meeting of the Communist Party Northern District Committee held in San Francisco, California on 5/8/57. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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cc:

[redacted] (SF 1604-S)	61-415 (AL RICHMOND)
61-409 (CARL RUDIE LAMBERT)	100-30116 (LYNN CHILDS)
100-27747 (CP ORGANIZATION)	100-30717 (CP PARTY LINE)
100-29506 (HOWARD KEYLOR)	100-27806 (CP YOUTH)
100-27988 (DELMER BERG)	100-9720 (CP NEGRO QUESTION)
100-20238 (JAMES H. BALLARD)	100-27792 (CP FARMERS MATTERS)
100-27348 (BARNEY DEVETO)	100-28630 (CP STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
100-31391 (LILLIAN RANSOME)	97-27 (DPW)
65-1242 (MICKIE LIMA)	100-25347 (CP POLITICAL ACTIVITIES)
100-22370 (NOEL HARRIS)	61-306 (CP ALAMEDA CO.)
100-26072 (MARTIN LUDWIG)	100-21283 (CP CONTRA COSTA CO.)
100-25463 (LORETTA STACK)	100-21282 (CP HUMBOLDT CO.)
100-5867 (JOE MORRIS)	100-21287 (CP BUTTE CO.)
100-1418 (ELIZABETH NICHOLAS)	100-36364 (CP COLUSA CO.)
100-22198 (FRANCIS FINK)	100-26361 (CP SONOMA CO.)
100-36248 (JOE FIGUERIDO)	100-21286 (CP SAN JOAQUIN CO.)
97-26 (WILLIAM SCHNEIDERMAN)	100-3730 (SANTA CLARA CO. CP)
100-6692 (MIKE FRIEDEN)	100-17989 (CP SACRAMENTO CO.)
100-4987 (MATT CRAWFORD)	100-26388 (CP STANISLAUS CO.)
61-414 (OLETA YATES)	100-21288 (CP SAN MATEO CO.)
100-28168 (CHARLES GWYNN)	

CC: LOS ANGELES (5)

100-22798 (J.H. BALLARD)

100-16827 (CP TULARE CO.)

100-16825 (CP MADERA CO.)

100-16828 (CP FRESNO CO.)

100-16829 (CP MERCED CO.)

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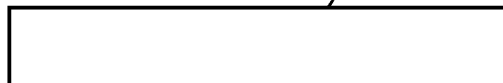
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"Report on Communist Party
Stockton, California
May 15, 1957

"On Wednesday, May 8, 1957, RUDIE LAMBERT called LULU MAE THOMPSON on the telephone at about twelve (noon) o'clock. He told her there would be a meeting in San Francisco on Sunday, May 12th at 9:20 AM of the newly elected District Committee of the Communist Party. She informed him that the voting was not complete enough at that time to determine who would be elected and he told her to have the leading candidates meet at Compton's at the corner of Van Ness and Market Streets at 9:30 AM on Sunday.

"By Thursday evening, May 9th the votes had come in from every area in the valley except Fresno and the following is a list of the candidates and their standing:

"HOWARD O. THOMPSON	5	votes
LULU MAE THOMPSON	27	"
HOWARD KEYLOR	3	"
DELMER BERG	15	"
JIM BALLARD	10	"
BARNEY DE VETO	3	"
LILLIAN RANSOME	21	"

"LULU MAE THOMPSON telephoned LILLIAN RANSOME to tell her about the meeting and then called her again on Saturday morning and LILLIAN told her she would be unable to attend the meeting because it was to be held on Mother's Day.

"LULU MAE THOMPSON arrived in San Francisco at about 9:15 AM on Sunday morning, May 12th and went to Compton's at Van Ness and Market Streets. At about 9:30, MICKIE LIMA came in and went to a table already occupied by a gentleman. LULU MAE THOMPSON went over and joined them and MICKIE introduced her to NOEL HARRIS from Humboldt County. At about 9:45 the three of them proceeded in LIMA's car to the California Hall building. They waited in the foyer for awhile, then LULU MAE THOMPSON and HARRIS went upstairs to room #304, while LIMA remained downstairs to tell the others what room to go to.

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"The meeting was finally called to order at about 10:30 AM. Some where late in arriving and the following is a list of all those who attended the meeting:

"MARTIN (San Francisco--L. STACK said he was a candidate for S.F. Co. chairman)
"JOE MORRIS, Santa Clara
"A lady from Santa Clara, about 55, medium complexion, grey-brn hair, about 5' 2", 125 pounds.
"FRAN FINK
JOE FIGAROTO
BILL SCHNEIDERMAN
MIKE only attended morning session, evidently from SF or East Bay, Dark, about 6', crew haircut, glasses, near 200 pounds, about 40yrs.
MATT Dark complexion, grey wavy hair, glasses, medium build, brn eyes, about 5' 9", very soft spoken.
LORETTA STACK
LULU MAE THOMPSON
OLETA O'CONNOR YATES
Man from Sonoma, about 6', dark complexion, eyes were near hazel color, very dark blue shadows around eyes.
NOEL ~~RECHARD~~ HARRIS
MICKIE LIMA
LYNN CHILDS
RUDIE LAMBERT. (only attended part of morning session.)
AL Richmond

"MARTIN was elected to chair the meeting, and MICKIE LIMA gave a report on what the seven members of the committee who were elected at large had discussed on the purposes, aims and organization of the committee. The committee will try to coordinate the policy between Clubs, etc. It will be their aim to formulate policy by bringing together experienced people in all the fields of endeavor of the Party, mainly youth-welfare, Negro rights, farm and rural problems and labor. This will be accomplished by a series of conferences, their organization and scope depending upon the problems involved.

"The meetings of the committee will be held on alternate Sundays, monthly, which will be all day sessions, and Friday night meetings between Sundays. There will be a District Center and the District Chairman will be a

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"full time functionary. San Francisco is going to hire a Secretary and it is the aim of the District Committee to work out a way of sharing in this. For the present the office on Market Street will be maintained.

"The committee voted to have a 'staff' to function between meetings of the committee. This staff will consist of five members and can be enlarged as the need arises. At the present time it will be made up of the District Chairman, the heads of the San Francisco County and the East Bay organization, the editor of the paper and one representative from Santa Clara County. One of the duties of this staff will be to set the various conferences that are needed to set policy.

"A budget for operation of the Northern District will be presented to the next meeting, and it was voted to allow NOEL HARRIS to have an alternate because of the difficulty he will have in attending the meetings.

"After lunch, AL RICHMOND reported on the Peoples World. (LULU MAE THOMPSON went to lunch at Foster's with LORETTA STACK. They were joined at their table by FRAN FINK and NOEL HARRIS. Most of the rest of the committee ate at the same restaurant.)

"The next item on the agenda was a report by BILL SCHNEIDERMAN on the National Committee meeting held the week before in N.Y..

"A letter will be sent to all the Clubs in the Northern District from the District Committee to announce the committee had held its first meeting and are starting to function.

"JOE FIGAROTO reported on legislation before the State legislature then the committee set their next meeting for Friday evening, June 14, 1957 in the same building and the room will be rented in the name of the People's World.

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"MICKIE LIMA told LULU MAE THOMPSON that the interim Committee of the District Committee had been supposed to inform the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley group to go ahead with a meeting to organize the Valley. He told her on the way back to her car that she should get together with the other elected delegate from the area and set a meeting, date and place, invite 2 members or representatives from each Club and let him know and he would try to attend. This first group would serve as an arrangements committee to plan an organizing convention for the area.

"This meeting adjourned at about 5:20 PM.

/s/

[Redacted Signature]

[Redacted] was thoroughly interviewed on 5/18/57 by SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE and could furnish no additional information.

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TO: SA

FROM: SAC

DATE:

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SUBJECT: PROSAB

Rememo 12/24/53, which instructs that informants be contacted and alerted for any indication of unusual interest in the operation of Strategic Air Command Bases, Travis Air Force Base being within this program. This memorandum further instructed that informants were to be recontacted at least every six months with reference to this program. A notation should be made in the file reflecting this recontact.

In recontacting informants, extreme care should be used not to pinpoint the operation of this base as being any different than that of any other base, and informant should be instructed to report any unusual interest concerning any military installation. Please give this immediate and expeditious attention.

Informant SF 1604-S

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TO : SAC

FROM : SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: SF 1604-S

DATE: 6/19/57

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DATES OF CONTACT: 5/21/57; 6/3,4,7,10,17/57

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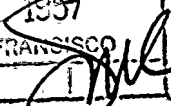
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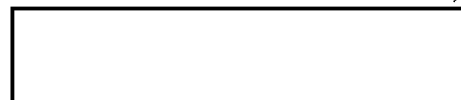
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Signed: *Robert F. Savage*

Special Agent

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889)

DATE: July 5, 1957

FROM : SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

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SUBJECT: CP, USA, DISTRICT 13
IS - C

The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT E. SAVAGE on 6/12/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 6/11/57, concerns a meeting of CP leaders from the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley with Northern District CP chairman, MICKIE LIMA, on 6/9/57 at Stockton, California to plan an organizing convention for the Valley. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
June 11, 1957

"A communist Party meeting was held at the Howard Thompson home on Sunday June 9, 1957. The meeting was called for the purpose of discussing an organizing convention to set up the governing body for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley. The following people attended the meeting:

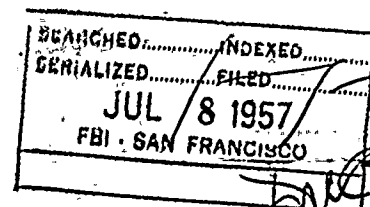
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100-30046 (PHIL DAVIS)	61-409 (CARL RUDE LAMBERT)
100-27988 (DELMER BERG)	100-2884 (LOUISE TODD LAMBERT)
65-1242 (MICKIE LIMA)	100-27286 (VIRGIL COLE)
100-27348 (BARNEY DE VETO)	100-15155 (BERT HOLLOPETER)
100-31391 (LILLIAN RANSOME)	100-26239 (CP MEMBERSHIP)
100-32000 (MARIE GORIN)	97-27 (DPW)
100-27747 (CP ORGANIZATION)	100- (FRED FINE)
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2 100-31414 (CP YUBA CO.) cc to MARVSVILLE RA for info	
100-36363 (CP SUTTER CO.)	
2 100-17989 (CP SACRAMENTO CO.) cc to SACRAMENTO RA for info	
100-21286 (CP SAN JOAQUIN CO.)	
2 100-26388 (CP STANISLAUS CO.) cc to MODESTO RA for info	

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1 New York (FRED FINE) (REG.)
1 Chicago (FRED FINE) (REG.)
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Howard and Lulu Mae Thompson	Stockton
Marie Gorin	Sacramento
Lillian Ransome.	Wheatland
Barney DeVeto	Marysville
Delmer Berg	Ceres
Phil Davis	Empire
Frank George	Fresno
Mickie Lima, Northern District Chairman	Oakland

"Lulu Mae Thompson called the meeting to order at about 12:15 PM and she was elected to chair the meeting. Marie Gorin was selected for Secretary. As the first order of business, the Chairman reported that the election results for District Committee members had given the positions to Lillian Ransome and herself. A copy of the tabulated votes is enclosed.

"A report of the first meeting of the District Committee was then given by Mickie Lima and he added the information that Fred Fine the National Labor Secretary will be in Northern California from June 20th to the 26th for the purpose of getting acquainted with labor problems on the Coast. He said a conference in which all the Clubs in the Northern District could be involved would be held and a little later in the meeting the date was set for Sunday, June 23rd, with the location and time of the meeting to be announced at the District Committee meeting on June 14th. This information to be delivered by the District Committee members.

"A peace petition to President Eisenhower which is being circulated by the American Friends Service Committee was shown by Lima and he recommended that the Clubs send in for some to circulate. Lima also distributed copies of a "Memorandum on Peace Activity". (Copy enclosed)

"Delmer Berg and Phil Davis had to leave at 1:30 PM and they agreed that those remaining could act as the arrangements committee for an organizing convention and the date for the convention was set as June 30th at 11:00 AM at the Howard Thompson home.

"There was a brief recess for lunch, following which the committee decided that the officers elected in the morning would be empowered to act until the opening of the next meeting.

"The representatives present did not want to reveal the number of their members in order to base the representation at

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the next meeting on membership, so it was decided that it would continue at two delegates for each club. A \$2.00 registration fee will be collected from each club at the next meeting.

"Lillian Ransome said she may have trouble finding transportation to all of the District Meetings, so it was decided that she should request the District Committee to allow her to have an alternate.

"There were many suggestions made for the form the organization for the Valley should take, but they will have to be voted upon so they will be reported later in the final form.

"The meeting was adjourned at about 3:30 PM, but only Mickie Lima left at that time, Frank George stayed until about 4:15 PM and the rest did not leave until nearly 6:00 PM.

"The following information was revealed in the visiting during lunch and after the meeting:

"Lillian Ransome said that Virgil Cole is trying very hard to get back into the Union. She also said that the former State Officers are trying to get him to take the man who had him expelled from the Union back into the Party. She later mentioned the "trouble" between Virgil and the Holapeters and gave the impression that Holapeter was the man involved.

"Lillian also said she is the contact for three other clubs besides her own. She sent in 11 votes for District Committee members, which would indicate a membership near that for the four Clubs.

"Marie Gorin said that Louise Todd and Rudie Lambert had sent a letter to them by a Negro named Jim or Cecil (he has used both), demanding that he be accepted into their Club. He had opened the letter. They refuse to have him in their Club because he brags a lot and they had a letter from the South stating that he was very unreliable. Marie also stated that Sacramento has 10 members who attend meetings and three members whom she has to contact because of their jobs and the FBI.

"Davis gave out invitations to a picnic for the People's World. Copy enclosed.

"Mickie Lima said the coordinating committee for the State Press will meet on June 30th.

"San Joaquin County dues for May and June were turned over

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to Lima by Lulu Mae Thompson and he accepted \$10.00 for the PW from Frank George.

"As Barney DeVeto left, Howard Thompson asked him to come back on the 21st of June to spend the week-end and then attend the Labor Conference."

The "MEMORANDUM ON PEACE ACTIVITY" which was furnished to those present at the above meeting by MICKIE LIMA is being maintained as an exhibit with the original of this report.

Copy of the election result regarding Valley members of the CP Northern District Committee is being maintained as an exhibit with this report and the results are set out as follows:

	SACRA- MENTO	STANIS- LAUS	SAN JOA- QUIN	WHEAT- LAND	LIND- SEY	FRESNO	
Howard O. Thompson			3	2			5
Lulu Mae Thompson	10	1	3	9	4		27
Howard Keylor		1	3				4
Delmer Berg		6	3		7	2	18
Jim Ballard		5			5	5	15
Barney DeVeto				3			3
Lillian Ransome	10	1	2	8			21

Copy of announcement for Stanislaus County DPW picnic which was furnished to those present at meeting by PHIL DAVIS is being maintained as an exhibit with this report.

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-21286)

7/5/57

FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: CP ACTIVITIES, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 6/12/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 6/11/57, concerns a meeting of the San Joaquin County Communist Party held on 6/7/57 at Stockton, California. This report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
June 11, 1957

"A meeting of the Communist Party Club of San Joaquin County was held at the Howard Keylor home on Friday evening, June 7, 1957 and the following persons were present:

"Howard and Lulu Mae Thompson
Howard and Evangeline Keylor.

"Dues were collected from the following:

"Howard Keylor	May	\$10.00
Evangeline Keylor	"	.50
Howard Thompson	"	\$10.00
Lulu Mae Thompson	"	.50

"Howard Keylor stated that Larry Kilmer had pledged \$15.00 to the People's World Fund drive. There were no other donations to report.

1 - [redacted] (SF 1604-S)

1 - [redacted]
1 - 100-29506 (HOWARD KEYLOR)
1 - 100-31446 (EVANGELINE KEYLOR)
1 - 100-32136 (LARRY KILMER)
1 - 97-27 (DPW)
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"The rest of the meeting was devoted to planning the agenda for the meeting to be held Sunday June 9th at the Thompson home. This meeting was called to make plans for some kind of organization for the Clubs in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley. Some suggested forms were discussed and several were decided upon to be presented at the meeting.

"No date was set for the next meeting.

/s/ [redacted]

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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 6/26/57 that LARRY KILMER has not been at CP meetings lately. Informant further advised that HOWARD KEYLOR is the Chairman of the San Joaquin County CP.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, SF (100-11889) DATE: 7/10/57
FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE
SUBJECT: CP, USA, DISTRICT 13
IS - C

The following written report was furnished TO SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 7/3/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 7/2/57, concerns a meeting of the CP leaders from the various CP clubs in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley held at Lathrop, California, on 6/30/57 to organize this section of the Communist Party. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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cc: [redacted]

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100-32000 (MARIE GORIN)
100-27348 (BARNEY DE VETO)
65-1242 (MICKEY LIMA)
100-27988 (DELMER BERG)
100-36603 (FRANK GEORGE)
100-27747 (CP ORGANIZATION)
100-25085 (CP FUNDS)
100-26239 (CP MEMBERSHIP)
100-21287 (CP BUTTE COUNTY)
100-31414 (CP YUBA COUNTY) (ATTENTION MARYSVILLE RA)
100-17989 (CP SACRAMENTO CO.) (ATTEN. SACRAMENTO RA)
100-36363 (CP SUTTER CO.)
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"Report on the Communist Party
"Stockton, California
"July 2, 1957

"On Sunday, June 30, 1957, a Communist Party meeting was held at the HOWARD THOMPSON home. The meeting was held for the purpose of organizing the scattered Clubs of the Party in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley. Those present at the meeting were the following:

"MICKIE LIMA
"LILLIAN RANSOME
"BARNEY DE VETO
"MARIE GORIN
"HOWARD KEYLOR
"HOWARD THOMPSON
"LULU MAE THOMPSON
"DELMER BERG
"FRANK GEORGE

"LULU MAE THOMPSON was Chairman of the meeting and it was called to order at about 11:30 a.m. The first order of business was a report by the Northern California District Chairman, MICKIE LIMA on the last District Meeting.

"This report was followed by point by point action on the recommendations of the arrangements committee on the organization for the Valley. A copy is enclosed of the rules which will govern the organization, which will be known as the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Section.

"A tentative budget of \$232.00 dollars a year for the section was presented and those present did not feel that the 15% of the dues retained by a section would be sufficient to cover this, so it was decided that each club would be asked for sustainers, and anything pledged over the Section's expenses would be forwarded to the District to help meet the expenses there.

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"The members of the executive board were then elected and the following people will serve with LULU MAE THOMPSON and LILLIAN RANSOME who were automatically on the board because they are the District Committee members, DELMER BERG, FRANK GEORGE and MARIE GORIN.

"The officers were then elected from the members of the Executive Board and LULU MAE THOMPSON was elected Chairman, DELMER BERG, Vice Chairman and MARIE GORIN, Secretary-treasurer.

"During the discussion on voting, it came out that the "clubs" that LILLIAN RANSOME represents consist of just one person in each of several towns.

"MARIE GORIN remarked that MICKIE LIMA is due in Sacramento during the first week in July to try to straighten out their trouble with CECIL.

"The meeting lasted until about 4 p.m. with a 45 minute recess for lunch which LULU MAE THOMPSON served.

"LULU MAE THOMPSON made arrangements with FRANK GEORGE to make a trip to Sanger on July 20, 1957, if he could get his people to meet on a Saturday night. He also said he would try to get the members to come up there from Lindsay.

"MICKIE LIMA told LILLIAN and LULU MAE that he would have to phone them and let them know the location of the District Meeting which will be held on July 14, 1957, and he was trying to locate some place in Oakland."

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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 7/3/57 that the enclosed organizational memo is an original copy of the memo sent to the CP clubs in the valley. This memo is set out below and is being filed with the above report in [redacted]

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ORGANIZATIONAL SET-UP FOR THE SACRAMENTO-
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY SECTION

1. Each Club will be allowed two representatives, except the Club who has the elected Chairman. This Club will be allowed three representatives because the Chairman has no vote. In the event that only one representative is present from a Club, that person will be allowed two votes on all questions.
2. The Executive Board shall consist of the two District Committee members and three elected members.
3. The officers shall be:

Chairman
Vice Chairman
Secretary-Treasurer
- These officers shall be elected from the five members of the Executive Board.
4. The term of office for these officers shall be the same as the term of office for the District Committee members, which is two years.
5. Clubs shall elect their delegates once a year for Valley committee, except the delegates serving on the executive board, who will be elected every two years.
6. Each Club shall elect two alternates.

The Valley committee shall meet every three months and the Executive board shall meet prior to each meeting and when necessary.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM ----- UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, San Francisco Date: 7/17/57
 FROM: Supervisor HARRY F. CLIFFORD, JR.
 SUBJECT: HOWARD THOMPSON
 SM-C

The above captioned Subject has been reported as a currently active in the CP and has been designated as an officer in the Membership Survey compiled on 6/15/57.

The Bureau has made a review of the Membership Survey submitted by this office on 3/1/57 and noted that many of the individuals listed therein as officers in the CP have not been listed as Key Figures or tabbed for DETCOM. The Bureau has instructed that this matter be corrected and recommendations be submitted.

DETCOM

The Manual of Instructions provides that currently active communists who are active as local organizers or leaders are to be considered for Detcom tabbing. It provides that Subjects tabbed for DETCOM should comprise a hard core of subversives. Each individual case should stand on its own merits and decision to include Subjects on DETCOM should be based on Subject's subversive activities and revolutionary tendencies.

KEY FIGURE

The Manual of Instructions provides that National, District and State officers and the principal officers of the local clubs of the CP are considered within the definition of a Key Figure. It further defines a Key Figure as an individual who, by reason of his official position in the CP, is considered of sufficient importance and potential dangerousness to require immediate apprehension or detention in the event of an emergency.

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The Bureau letter noted that there were officers on a section level who were not on the Key Figure list and Club Chairmen who were not tabbed DETCOM.

In accordance with the above instructions, this case should be evaluated and a letter submitted to the Bureau advising whether the Subject should or should not be included in either category and a short statement of the reason supporting this recommendation.

THIS LETTER SHOULD BE SUBMITTED PRIOR TO AUGUST 15, 1957.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 7/19/57

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FROM : SA Robert F. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: SF 1604-S

C.I. _____ P.C.I. _____ S.I. ☒ P.S.I. _____

DATES OF CONTACT: 6/24, 26/57 ; 7/1, 3, 10, 11, 12/57

TITLES AND FILE #s ON WHICH CONTACTED:

CP, USA, Dist 13 (100-11889)

CP, SAN JOAQUIN CO. (100-21286)

PURPOSE AND RESULTS OF CONTACT:

Negative: _____

Positive: ☒6/24, 26/57
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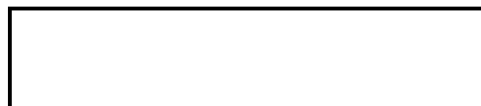
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Request of ^{ASAC} ~~Special Agent in Charge~~, FBI, San Francisco.

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Signed: Robert T. Savage

Special Agent

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889) DATE: 8/9/57

FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: CP, USA, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 7/18/57 by [] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 7/17/57, concerns a meeting of the CP, Northern District Committee, which was held on 7/14/57 at Oakland, California. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in []

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The informant can testify to the following:

1- 100-11889

100- (SMITH ACT REPEAL COM.)
100- (OCCUPANT OF 235 7th
St., Oakland)
100- (" " ")

cc: []

(SF 1601-S)

100-26425 (LEILA NOLAND)
100-27348 (BARNEY DEVETO)
65-1242 (MICKEY LIMA)
100-22370 (NOEL HARRIS)
100-29835 (MARTIN MARCUS)
100-6692 (MIKE FRIEDEN)
100-25463 (LORETTA STACK)
100-36248 (JOE FIGUERIDO)
61-415 (AL RICHMOND)
97-26 (WILLIAM SCHNEIDERMAN)
100-22198 (FRANCES FINK)
100-2884 (LOUISE TODD)
61-414 (OLETA YATES)
100-21889 (MERLE BRODSKY)
61-398 (ARCHIE BROWN)
100-5867 (JOE MORRIS)
100-4987 (MATT CRAWFORD)
100-30717 (CP PARTY LINE)
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Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
July 17, 1957

On Sunday morning, July 14, 1957, LEILA NOLAND, who was a week end guest of the HOWARD THOMPSONs, LILLIAN RANSOME of Whatland and LULU MAE THOMPSON, left the THOMPSON home for Oakland to attend the meeting of the District Committee for Northern California. BARNEY DE VETO had brought LILLIAN to the THOMPSON's and he spent the day with HOWARD THOMPSON.

The women arrived at MICKIE LIMA's home at 6115 Dover Street in Oakland at about 9:10 a.m. NOEL HARRIS answered the door and told them that MICKIE was out, but he would be back soon. When MICKIE arrived he wrote down the following address on a slip of paper and gave it to LULU MAE THOMPSON:

235 7th Street
Oakland (in the basement)

The following persons were present at the meeting held at the above address:

MARTIN (Sonoma)
MIKE FRIDEN
LORETTA STACK
MICKIE LIMA
AL RICHMOND
BILL SCHNEIDERMAN
JOE FIGAROTO
FRANCES FINK
NOEL HARRIS
LILLIAN RANSOME
LEILA NOLAND
LULU MAE THOMPSON
LOUISE TODD
VENUS (Negro woman, San Francisco)
OLETA YATES
MEREE BROTSKY
ARCHIE BROWN
JOE MORRIS

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The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by the Northern District Chairman and he read the proposed agenda. LORETTA STACK was then elected to chair the meeting.

The first item on the agenda was a report by MICKIE on the events in the Soviet Union and this was followed by discussion until 12:30. MICKIE, in his report, read an editorial from the Daily Worker on the events and stated that he had received word that it was approved as the opinions of the National Administrative Committee of the Communist Party. He also read quotations from several other writers, some from the "Cap" press.

After lunch a motion was passed to accept his report and to agree to the positive estimate of Soviet events in the editorial in the Daily Worker, taking note of criticism and reservations stated by some members in the discussion. The criticism and reservations came down to the point that most seemed to think that there should have some discussion of the problem in the Soviet Union before action was taken.

MICKIE had proposed, on behalf of the staff, that public meetings be held in which these views were explained, but this was not accepted by those present. They stated that we had declared our independence from the Russian Communist Party at our National Convention and it was thought best that our first public meetings since then should be in defense of their actions. It was agreed that inter-club meetings were a good idea wherever they are desired for discussion on the question.

BILL SCHNEIDERMAN then made a report on the Supreme Court Decision and the defendants were made into a committee to organize a movement to have the cases dropped and to fight to have the Smith Act repealed. They are to try to contact other organizations who have ever come out against the Smith Act or who have in any way defended its

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victims in an effort to coordinate their work.
(SCHNEIDERMAN's report was made after lunch.)

Lunch was served by the people who owned the home where the meeting was held and the proceeds were to be donated to the People's World.

The following persons were elected to serve on the State Coordinating Committee:

MICKIE LIMA
AL RICHMOND
MERLE BROTSKY
MATT CRAWFORD
JOE MORRIS

There will be one more member on the Committee, but this person will be suggested by San Francisco County when they have completed their re-organization. They have elected a board of seven, but they have not yet elected a Chairman.

The proposed budget was accepted. No copy available.

The Staff proposed that a meeting be held in the People's World offices on Friday evening, July 19, 1957, to discuss the Fund Drive and they asked that the press secretary and Club chairman from each club should be present. This meeting was approved.

The next District Committee meeting will be held at the PW offices on Friday evening, August 16, 1957.

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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE that the persons referred to in the report as MARTIN and VENUS are MARTIN MARCUS and VENUS.

RECOMMENDATION: Route copies for occupants of 235 7th Avenue, Oakland, California, to Oakland RA for identification.

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TO : SAC

DATE: 8/20/57

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FROM : SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

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SUBJECT: SF 1604-S

Dates of Contact <u>7/23,26/57; 8/1,12,16,19/57</u>	
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<u>CP, USA, NORTHERN DIST. OF CALIF.</u>	<u>100-11889</u>
<u>CP, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY</u>	<u>100-21286</u>
<u>CP, STANISLAUS COUNTY</u>	<u>100-26388</u>
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Request of Special Agent in Charge, FBI, San Francisco

for information concerning the case entitled CP USA IS-C SF 100-11889

Signed: *J. L. White*

Special Agent

Authority (Date) SFlet 4-15-57

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, SF (100-21286) DATE: 9/3/57

FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: CP ACTIVITIES - SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 8/2/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 7/31/57, concerns a meeting of the San Joaquin County CP held at Lathrop, California, on 7/23/57. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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The informant can testify to the following:

1- 100-21286

cc: [redacted]

[redacted] (SF 1604-S.)
100-29506 (HOWARD KEYLOR)
100-31446 (EVANGELINE KEYLOR)
100-20472 (IRVING JOHN JILBERT)
100-25085 (CP FUNDS)
100-27747 (CP ORGANIZATION)
97-27 (PW)

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Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
July 31, 1957

A meeting of the Communist Party was held at the HOWARD THOMPSON home on Tuesday evening, July 23, 1957, and the following people attended:

HOWARD and LULU MAE THOMPSON
HOWARD and EVANGELINE KEYLOR
JACK JILBERT

The meeting was opened at 8:10 p.m. by the Club Chairman, HOWARD KEYLOR. As the first order of business, LULU MAE THOMPSON gave a report on the last District meeting that she attended and then she reported on the organization of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Section. Following these reports she collected 45¢ dues from JACK JILBERT for August, September, and October.

HOWARD KEYLOR and HOWARD THOMPSON were then chosen by secret ballot as the delegates to the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley section and JACK JILBERT and EVANGELINE KEYLOR were elected as alternates.

The People's World Fund drive was the next item discussed and it was decided, since the County was so far behind on the fund drive, to send out letters to all subscribers and follow the letters with a personal call. LULU MAE THOMPSON said she would type the letters and JACK JILBERT was chosen to write the form. HOWARD KEYLOR and JILBERT will sign them.

The next Club meeting will be held at the THOMPSON's on Wednesday, August 7, 1957.

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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 8/12/57 that the District meeting referred to is the Northern California CP District meeting. Informant further advised that LULA MAE THOMPSON is Chairman of the Valley Section of the Northern California District.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-26388) DATE: 9/3/57

FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: CP ACTIVITIES - STANISLAUS COUNTY
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 8/2/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 7/31/57, concerns a meeting of the Stanislaus County CP held at Empire, California, on 7/28/57. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

The informant can testify to the following:

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1- 100-26388

cc: [redacted]

(SF 1604-S)
100-31080 (LEORA CHASTEEN)
100-35746 (HOMER CHASTEEN)
100-27988 (DELMER BERG)
100-30046 (PHIL DAVIS)
100-30040 (HARRIET DAVIS)
97-27 (PW)
100-28334 (MAE MURRY)
100-26015 (MARVIN MURRY)
100- (PITTMAN) (PW in SF)
100-41755 (JOSEPH P. DIEU)

Read by: *ALV*

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SAC, SF (100-26388)

Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
July 31, 1957

HOWARD and LULU MAE THOMPSON went to the home of PHIL and HARRIET DAVIS in Empire on Sunday, July 28, 1957, to attend a Communist Party meeting of the Stanislaus County Club. The meeting was called to order at about 2:45 p.m. with the following people present:

HOWARD and LULU MAE THOMPSON
HOMER and LEORA CHASTAINE
DELMER BERG
PHIL and HARRIET DAVIS.

DAVIS remarked that MAY MURRAY had been expected at the meeting, but that something had come up at home and they told him when he phoned that she could not come.

The meeting was called to order by PHIL DAVIS and he gave a report on Club activities. Their main efforts have been on the PW fund drive and they gave a picnic to raise money. At the request of MAY MURRAY, MARVIN MURRAY was allowed to attend and MARVIN and MAY had a long talk with PITTMAN from the paper and he asked MARVIN to write an article on his experiences with the FBI, and if it did not involve innocent people who would be harmed by it, they might print it in the paper. He also advised MARVIN to tell those he came in contact with that he had been an informer but that he has been sorry and changed.

Their Club treasurer has been away and he will return before Labor Day and will furnish fresh fish for a barbecue for the PW. Mr. and Mrs. GURR were reported to be on vacation.

The name of JOE DUE came out in the report, but it was understood that he is not a member, but might be recruited.

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LULU MAE THOMPSON gave a report on the activities of the District Committee and also reported on the organization of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Section. The Club said they would pledge a sustainer for the Section, but would establish the amount when their treasurer returns.

HOWARD THOMPSON then gave a report on the Labor Conference held in Oakland with the National Labor Secretary, FRED FINE.

Another meeting for a report on the next District Committee meeting will be held on Sunday, August 18, 1957.

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[REDACTED] was thoroughly interviewed by SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 8/12/57 and could furnish no additional information.

RECOMMENDATION: All necessary action has been taken.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, SF (100-11889) DATE: 9/16/57

FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: CP, USA, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
IS - C

The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 8/26/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 8/21/57, concerns a meeting of the Northern California Communist Party District Committee held in San Francisco on 8/16/57. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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The informant can testify to the following:

1- 100-11889

cc: [redacted]

65-1242 (MICKEY LIMA)
100-6692 (MIKE FRIEDEN)
100-26072 (MARTIN LUDWIG)
100-25463 (LORETTA STACK)
100-5867 (MORRIS GRAHAM)
100-4987 (MATT CRAWFORD)
100-27346 (KEN HOWARD)
100-29835 (MARTIN MARCUS)
100-22198 (FRANCES FINK)
61-414 (OLETE YATES)
100-1418 (ELIZABETH NICHOLAS)
100-27348 (BERNARD DEVETO)
61-398 (ARCHIE BROWN)
97-27 (PW)
97-26 (WILLIAM SCHNEIDERMAN)
61-306 (CP ALAMEDA CO.)
100-11889 (CP SAN FRANCISCO CO.)
100-21288 (CP SAN MATEO CO.)
100-3730 (CP SANTA CLARA CO.)
100-21287 (CP BUTTE CO.)
100-31414 (CP YUBA CO.)
100-36363 (CP SUTTER CO.)
100-21281 (CP MARIN CO.)
100-26361 (CP SONOMA CO.)
100- (DURHAM) (CP National
Chairman on Youth and Welfare)

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SAC, SF (100-11889)

Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
August 21, 1957

The Northern District Committee of the Communist Party held a meeting at the offices of the People's World on Friday evening, August 16, 1957. Those attending the meeting were:

MICKIE LIMA
MIKE (East Bay)
MARTIN LUDWIG
LORETTA STACK
HOWARD THOMPSON
JOE MORRIS
MATT CRAWFORD
KEN HOWARD
MARTIN (Sonoma)
FRAN FINK
OLETA YATES
LULU MAE THOMPSON
LOUISE TODD
BARNEY DE VETO
ARCHIE BROWN

When the THOMPSONs arrived at about 7:30 p.m., MICKIE LIMA was already present in the papers office and he gave LULU MAE a copy of the notes he had made at the National Committee meeting, and he asked that she study them and give them to HOWARD to read. He requested that HOWARD return them to him when he had finished reading them. He said he had managed to get copies to most of the Committee members in advance to be studied and in this way he hoped to save the time usually taken up by a report.

LIMA called the meeting to order at 8:30 p.m. and the first item on the agenda called for questions on report notes. There were some questions asked, but several stated they were unable to make much from the notes in front of them and so were able to ask intelligent questions. MICKIE said the report was made to the National Committee by SID STEIN and would shortly be published in its complete form.

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MICKIE stated, in answer to a question, that headquarters are being moved out of New York, Labor to Chicago is an accomplished fact, and the Farm Committee is in Minneapolis.

Two conferences for the future have been proposed: Negro work for November and Organization in January.

The National Youth and Welfare Chairman (DURHAM) will be in the San Francisco Bay area from about the 22nd to the 30th of August and conferences have been set for the following dates:

August 22nd San Francisco Address not
established yet

August 29th East Bay Address not
established yet

August 30th 2271 California St., San Francisco,
8 p.m.

During the discussion on the notes on MICKIE's report, several made strong statements against the material contained in the report. Those making the strongest statements were BILL SCHNEIDERMAN, JOE MORRIS and LOUISE TODD. Several stated they would not state any opinion without further study.

A motion was passed after some argument to hold a Dues Control in September and at the same time to conduct a survey of ex-Party members and inactive members to try to ascertain if they will again become active in Party work.

MICKIE LIMA stated during the meeting, that ARCHIE BROWN has been elected San Francisco County Chairman.

The next meeting of the Committee will be held at the home of ARCHIE BROWN in San Francisco, 1027 Brussels Street at 10 a.m. on September 21, 1957.

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Sept. 16, 1957

SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

CP ACTIVITIES, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 9/3/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 8/29/57, concerns a meeting of the San Joaquin County Communist Party held at Lathrop, California, on 8/28/57. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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THE INFORMANT CAN TESTIFY TO THE FOLLOWING:

"Report on the Communist Party
"Stockton, California
"August 29, 1957

"There was a Communist Party meeting at the Howard Thompson home on Wednesday evening, August 28, 1957 and the following persons were present:

"Howard and Lulu Mae Thompson
"Howard and Evangeline Keylor

"Lulu Mae Thompson gave a report on the last District Committee Meeting. This was followed by a report on the status

CC: [redacted] SF 1604-S)

100-29506 (HOWARD KEYLOR)
100-31446 (EVANGELINE KEYLOR)
97-27 (PW)
100-25085 (CP FUNDS)
100-32375 (SYBIL STICHT)
100-42925 (GEORGE COLLIVER)
100-23253 (WALTER MICHENER)
100-index (STEPHANIE MICHENER)

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of the Club in the People's World Fund Drive. Lulu Mae Thompson reported that she had turned in Howard Thompson's second days pay at the last District meeting and Howard Keylor said he had sent in \$5.00 and also had collected \$5.00 each from two longshoremen.

"The Keylor's reported on the meeting that was held at the home of Sybil Sticht for the Sobell committee and stated that both Evangeline and Sybil are sending out literature on behalf of the committee. Evangeline also stated that Dr. Colliver of the College of Pacific was at the meeting and was interested in the cause.

"Howard Thompson announced that Walter Michener had asked him to have Lulu Mae Thompson start discussions with his wife Stephanie that would lead to recruiting her into the Party.

"The next meeting will be held at the Thompson's on Wednesday, September 11th.

[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 9/3/57 that HOWARD and EVANGELINE KEYLOR stated that SYLVIA STEINGART comes to Stockton from San Francisco to visit with the KEYLORs and SYBIL STICHT and has interested them in promoting the Sobell Defense in the Stockton area. Informant advised that the Sobell Committee meeting at the home of SYBIL STICHT was held about one month ago. Informant further advised that the KEYLORs are members of the San Joaquin County CP, however STICHT, COLLIVER, and STEINGART are not CP members. [redacted] stated that WALTER MICHERER is a former CP member but that his wife has not been a CP member.

ACTION: Open 100-index on STEPHANIE MICHERER.

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San Francisco, California

CITY

DATE

San Francisco

^{ASSISTANT}
Request of Special Agent in Charge, FBI,

CP USA IS-C SF 100-11889

for information concerning the case entitled

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Signed:

Robert F. Savage
Special Agent

Authority (Date) Bulet 7-26-57

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TO : SAC

DATE: 9/30/57

FROM : SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

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SUBJECT: SF 1604-S

Dates of Contact <u>8/26/57; 9/3,9,18,23,25/57</u>	
Titles and File #s on which contacted <u>CP, USA, N. DISTRICT OF CALIF. (100-11889)</u> <u>CP SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY (100-21286)</u> _____ _____ _____	
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CP ACTIVITIES, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 9/21/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 9/16/57, concerns a meeting of the San Joaquin County Communist Party held at Lathrop, California on 9/11/57. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

THE INFORMANT CAN TESTIFY TO THE FOLLOWING:

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"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
September 16, 1957

"The Howard Thompson home was the location of a Communist Party meeting on Wednesday evening, September 11, 1957 and the following people attended:

"Howard and Lulu Mae Thompson
Howard and Evangeline Keylor

"The following dues were collected by Lulu Mae Thompson:

"Howard Thompson	July	\$10.00
Lulu Mae Thompson	"	.50
Howard Keylor	June and July	5.00
Evangeline Keylor	" " "	1.00
"Sustainers		
Thompsons	July	\$1.00
Keylors	June and July	2.00

"After the dues were collected, Howard Keylor suggested that the meeting be an informal one, devoted to discussion of Party projects and related subjects. This was

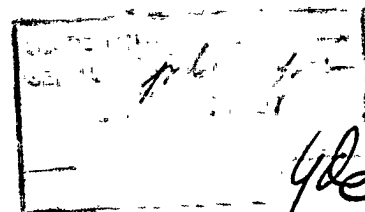
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ccs: 1 - [redacted] (SF 1604-S)

- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - SF (100-29506) (HOWARD KEYLOR)
- 1 - SF (100-31446) (EVANGELINE KEYLOR)
- 1 - SF (100-25085) (CP FUNDS)

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approved and the balance of the meeting, until about 9:45 PM, was spent in discussion of such subjects as labor, mass work, segregation and other related subjects.

"A future meeting date was not set.

"/s/

[redacted] was thoroughly interviewed by SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 9/25/57 and could furnish no additional information.

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ACTION: File.

SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (97-27)

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SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

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On 9/21/57, [] furnished a copy of the following letter to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE. [] has furnished reliable information in the past. [] advised that this letter was enclosed with other CP correspondence from MICKIE LIMA, CP Northern California District Chairman, to LULU MAE THOMPSON, Chairman of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Section of the CP. Above letter is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in []

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THE INFORMANT CAN TESTIFY TO THE FOLLOWING:

"To all District Committee members:

"A recent meeting of the Management Committee decided to extend the financial drive to October 15th in order for the areas to complete their quotas. The Management Committee is also considering a proposal to issue the weekly PW as a 12 page rather than a 16 page paper. The plan would also include cutting down on the number of pages now replated for the Northern California, the Southern California, and the Northwest editions. These replates would be cut from the present 2 for each edition, to 1 1/2 pages for the Northern and Southern California editions, and 1 page for the Northwest edition. This would cut the total number pages printed from 20 to 14, which would result in a saving of at least \$10,000 per year. It was agreed that the supporters of the paper should be consulted on this proposal.

"The State Press Commission also had a meeting and discussed a report on its estimation of the paper since it went over to a weekly. The enclosed resolution was proposed on the basis of that discussion. We are mimeographing the full report and it w will be sent to you in a few days.

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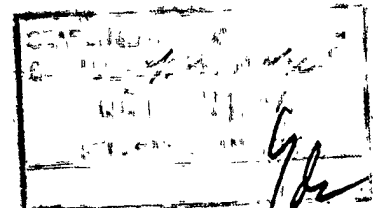
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1 - (65-1242) (MICKIE LIMA)

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1 - SF (100-25085) (CP FUNDS)

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"The Resolution from the State Press Commission is as follows:

1. We affirm:
 - a. That the need for a paper like the People's World is as urgent as ever.
 - b. That the principle that there can be no serious political movement in modern times without a paper through which its views are presented is as valid as ever.
 - c. That the primary function of such a paper is not to serve as a medium for communicating our views to each other, but to present our ideas and program in the public arena.
 - d. That reconstruction of the Party will be rendered immeasurably more difficult if the People's World, which has existed for 20 years as the recognized spokesman of the Left on the Pacific Coast, were permitted to fold.
 - e. That in this difficult period of transition for the party and the left generally, the paper is an indispensable center of cohesion for the Left, countering forces of disintegration.
2. We recognize that support for the paper and its role, as sketched in general above, has been seriously impaired by the wide divergence of views as to its character. In seeking to define the paper's character, it is essential to take into account the past 18 months of party discussion and the principal conclusions, which are that in order to break out of our isolation we must break with sectarianism and dogmatism and seek to establish new relationships with other forces of the left, as with the labor and people's democratic movements generally. With that in mind, we define the papers characters as follows:
 - a. It should be a paper with a socialist perspective and Marxist outlook, striving to bring into being an anti-monopoly coalition, and presenting the viewpoint of the Left to the potential elements of such a coalition; in the first place labor and Negro people.

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- b. It should not be a party organ, but rather should strive to become a spokesman for the Left, including party and non-party forces, reflecting the broad areas of agreement among such forces, while making provisions for debating and discussing point of differences.
 - c. It should be a regional paper, placing major emphasis on regional and local struggles and issues.
 - d. It should be a newspaper of a crusading character, focussing the working class, the Negro community, the Mexican American people and all potential elements of an anti-monopoly coalition. While recognizing that the situation of the Left poses special and difficult tactical problems in the development of the people's papers independent crusading character, and that these problems require further discussion, nonetheless we believe that as a journalistic medium the paper has a far greater crusading potential than has been realized to date.
 - e. Without impairing its character as a newspaper, the paper should serve as a medium for deepening the readers's understanding of fundamental problems, as well as of current events, as an organ that not only reports events, but analyzes them. We find the paper has been lacking in this respect, and recognize the fulfillment of this role requires far more extensive cooperation with the staff of people with special experience, expert knowledge in specific fields, direct acquaintance with certain tactical situations, as well as the collective party bodies.
3. In seeking to implement the above definition on the papers' role, complex immediate problems are posed by the perspective of transforming it from a party spokesman, in the narrow sense, into an organ that does in fact speak for a Left combination, including the party and non-party forces. We do not here spell out specific forms of such a combination, and indeed such forms can best be worked out only in consultation with non-party forces, but we do believe that the indicated direction can at this stage be furthered by:
- a. Continuing to open the paper's columns to non-party spokesmen of the left.

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b. The more systematic organization of public events, in which Communists and non-Communists join in the paper's support.

c. A conscious beginning of consultation with non-party forces on the paper's content and policy."

[redacted] on 9/25/57 orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE that LULU MAE THOMPSON is a member of the Northern California Communist Party District Committee.

ACTION: File.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

DATE: 10/2/57

FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: CP, USA, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 9/21/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 9/19/57, concerns arrangements for a meeting of the CP Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Section. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted] b7D

THE INFORMANT CAN TESTIFY TO THE FOLLOWING:

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
September 19, 1957

"On Friday, September 13, 1957, Lulu Mae Thompson received a notice in the mail from Mickie Lima that the date for the District Meeting had been changed from Saturday, September 21, 1957 to Sunday, September 22, 1957. This date was the one selected on June 30, 1957 as the date for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Section meeting at the Thompson home. Also with the notice was a copy of information

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ccs: 1 - Los Angeles (100-28272) (FRANK GEORGE) (REG)
1 - Los Angeles (100-16828) (CP FRESNO COUNTY) (REG)
1 - Los Angeles (100-16827) (CP TULARE COUNTY) (REG)
1 - [redacted] (SF 1604-S)
1 - [redacted]
1 - San Francisco (65-1242) (MICKIE LIMA)
1 - San Francisco (100-32000) (MARIE GORIN)
1 - San Francisco (100-36603) (FRANK GEORGE)
1 - San Francisco (100-27988) (DELMER BERG)
1 - San Francisco (100-31391) (LILLIAN RANSOME)
1 - San Francisco (100-29506) (HOWARD KEYLOR)
1 - San Francisco (100-31446) (EVANGELINE KEYLOR)

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from the Management Committee and the State Press Commission. (copy enclosed)

"When Howard Thompson returned from work, Lulu Mae Thompson discussed the problem of the conflicting dates for the 22nd with him and she decided, as Chairman of the Executive Board of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Section, to call a meeting of the Board in order to make a decision on whether to postpone the Section meeting or to not attend the District Meeting. She placed long distance telephone calls, from Stockton, to Marie Gorin, Frank George and Delmer Berg. She asked Marie to call Lillian Ransome. She set the meeting date for the board on Sunday, September 15, 1957 at 1:00 PM at the Thompson home. She then called Howard Keylor's home and told Evangeline of the meeting and told her they would be welcome to come and sit in on the meeting.

"On Sunday, Lulu Mae Thompson received a long distance call from Marie Gorin at about 12:00 noon and Marie said Lillian had broken an axle on her car and they would be about an hour late. Howard Keylor arrived at about 1:00 PM and Delmer Berg at about 1:15. The others ran into complications and did not arrive until nearly 6:00 PM.

"Lulu Mae Thompson explained the purpose of the meeting and after lengthy discussion the enclosed "resolution" was adopted and will be presented at the District meeting.

"After the meeting Lulu Mae Thompson served sandwiches and cake.

"Two possible dates were selected for the postponed Section Meeting with the Clubs in Fresno and Lindsay given the choice. Dates chosen were September 29th or October 6th.

"/s/

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Copy of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Section Executive Committee letter to the Northern District Committee

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objecting to the change in meeting dates is maintained with the original of this report as an exhibit.

[redacted] was interviewed by SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 9/25/57 and could furnish no additional information.

ACTION: File.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889)

FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: CP, USA, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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DATE: 10/10/57

The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 9/25/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 9/24/57, concerns a meeting of the Northern California District Communist Party Committee held in San Francisco, California on 9/22/57. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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1 - SF (100-11889)

ccs:

1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted] (SF 1604-S)
1 - 61-398 (ARCHIE BROWN)
1 - 100-31391 (LILLIAN RANSOME)
1 - 100-27348 (BARNEY DEVETO)
1 - 100-5867 (JOE MORRIS)
1 - 65-1242 (MICKIE LIMA)
1 - 100-36248 (JOE FIGUERIDO)
1 - 100-26072 (MARTIN LUDWIG)
1 - 97-26 (WM. SCHNEIDERMAN)
1 - 100-22198 (FRANCES FINK)
1 - 100-2884 (LOUISE TODD LAMBERT)
1 - 100-21889 (MERLE BRODSKY)
1 - 100-4987 (MATT CRAWFORD)
1 - 61-415 (AL RICHMOND)
1 - 61-414 (OLETA YATES)
1 - 100-30116 (LYNN CHILDS)
1 - 97-27 (DEW)
1 - 100-28630 (CP STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
1 - 100-25347 (CP POLITICAL ACTIVITIES)
1 - 100-33548 (FEPC)
1 - 100-9720 (CP NEGRO QUESTION)
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1 - 100- (JOHN [redacted])

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THE INFORMANT CAN TESTIFY TO THE FOLLOWING:

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
September 24, 1957

"There was a meeting of the District Committee of the Communist Party at the home of Archie Brown at 1027 Brussels Street, San Francisco on Sunday, September 22, 1957.

"Lillian Ransome and Barney Deveto arrived at the Thompson home at about 7:50 AM, and Lillian and Lulu Mae left for San Francisco. Barney spent the day with Howard Thompson. When Lillian and Lulu Mae arrived at Archie's, Joe Morris was there. Later, when Mickie arrived he decided that there were too many cars parked in the area, so Lulu Mae, Joe, Mickie and Joe Figueiredo left to park their cars on San Bruno Street. Joe Figueiredo did not leave his car, but transported the others back to Archie's. While they were gone, Mickie bought some things for lunch for the committee.

"When the meeting was called to order the following were present: (or appeared shortly after the meeting was opened)

Martin Ludwig
Bill Schneiderman
Joe Morris
Archie Brown
Fran Fink
Louise Todd
Mickie Lima
Merle Brotsky (left at lunch time)
Matt Crawford
Al Richmond
Joe Figueiredo
Lulu Mae Thompson
Oleta Yates
Lynn Childs
Lillian Ransome

"Mickie Lima called the meeting to order and called on Al Richmond to make a report on the People's World. He reported on the recommendation of the management committee to cut the size of the paper and the resolutions adopted by the State Press Commission; The Committee voted to endorse

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the resolution (acopy was mailed in earlier) after changing the wording a little. Corrected copies will be mailed to the District Committee members later. The Committee also voted to accept a cut in the size of the paper. This will be done around the 1st of November. It was also voted to hold a circulation drive in conjunction with the 20th anniversary of the paper. The drive will be announced about the middle of November and will be short enough to permit launching of the fund drive for 1958 earlier in the year to avoid the vacation period.

"Lima then gave a report on Civil Rights, based on information he had received at the National Executive Committee meeting in New York over the previous week-end. The Committee voted to accept the following recommendations:

"1. That all Union members make an effort to have the resolution passed by the convention of the State Federation of Labor on Integration read before their Union.

"2. That all members of the Democratic Party Clubs to get resolutions passed urging the Party to break with the Dixiecrats.

"3. Develop local action on FEPC wherever possible.

"4. Authorized the PW to publish a supplement on Civil Rights.

"Mickie then appointed a committee to organize a mass meeting with representatives from the Counties to discuss Negro work and to learn the extent of the mass work of the Comrades in the outlying areas. Those appointed to the Committee were: Ross, John, Matt Crawford, Lynn Childs, Venus, Joe Figueiredo and Mike Freund.

"There will be no National Conference on Trade Union work, but either District or West Coast conference will be held. A District Conference seemed to be preferred. Representatives to a committee will be elected by the areas and this committee will plan a conference to be held the 1st week in December. There will be 9 on the committee as follows:

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"2 from San Francisco, 2 from the East Bay, one from Humboldt, 1 from Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley, 1 from Sonoma, 1 from Santa Clara and 1 from 1st Congressional.

"During lunch Lulu Mae Thompson had asked Mickie Lima why the meeting date had been changed and he stated it was because he did not get back from the National Executive Committee meeting until Thursday and it was impossible for the Staff to meet until Saturday to plan the meeting.

"When the question of when and where the next meeting would be held came up. Lulu Mae Thompson read the resolution passed by the San Joaquin-Sacramento Valley Executive Board protesting the changing of the date. It was agreed that the complaint was justified and the Committee agreed that in the future more consideration would be given to the area when setting dates for meetings.

"The next meeting will be held on Saturday, October 12, 1957 at 10:00. The location was not definite but they hope to have it at the home of Travis Laferty in Oakland. In the future the meetings will be held on alternate Saturdays and Sundays, once a month.

"Archie Browns family came home at about 5:45 and Archie announced that the meeting would have to break up and the group leave because he had promised the meeting would be over about 5:00 PM.

"The Committee voted to accept Al Richmond's recommendation that the People's World accept a paid political advertisement for The Socialist Workers Party candidate for an office in San Francisco.

"/s/ [redacted]

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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 10/2/57 that the management committee referred to by AL RICHMOND is a committee of the PW and not a part of the CP Northern District Committee. Informant further advised that the National Executive Committee reported on by MICKIE LIMA is the National CP Executive Committee that met in New York.

ACTION: Return 100- (JOHN _____) to writer for identification.

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TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 10/25/57

FROM : SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

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TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889)

FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: CP, USA, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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DATE: 10/29/57

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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 10/15/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 10/9/57, concerns a meeting of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Section of the Communist Party held at Lathrop, California on 10/6/57. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

THE INFORMANT CAN TESTIFY TO THE FOLLOWING:

1 - SF (100-11889)	10 - LOS ANGELES (REG)
ccs [redacted] (SF 1604-S)	100-22798 (JAMES BALLARD)
1 - [redacted]	100-31187 (DELLA BALLARD)
1 - 100-27988 (DELMER BERG)	100-35873 (CHUCK WILLIAMS)
1 - 100-27348 (BARNEY DEVETO)	100-28272 (FRANK GEORGE)
1 - 100-31391 (LILLIAN RANSOME)	(HASKELL SMITH)
1 - 100-32000 (MARIE GORIN)	100-16828 (CP FRESNO CO.)
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1 - 100-27747 (CP ORGANIZATION)	100-16829 (CP MERCED CO.)
1 - 100-11596 (NAACP)	100-16825 (CP MADERA CO.)
1 - 97-27 (PW)	100- (Mrs. CHARLES ASHJIAN)
1 - 100-28630 (CP STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)	
1 - 100-38530 (CP MIMCO MACHINES)	
1 - 100-20472 (IRVING JOHN JILBERT)	READ BY: _____
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"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
October 9, 1957

"A meeting of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley
Section of the Communist Party was held at the Howard Thomp-
son home on Sunday, October 6, 1957 with the following
people attending:

"Jim and Della Ballard	Lindsay
"Chuck" Williams	"
Frank George	Fresno
Haskell Smith	Ceres
Marie Gorin	Sacramento
Lillian Ransome	Wheatland
Barney De Veto	Marysville
Howard and Lulu Mae Thompson	Lathrop

"The executive board held a short meeting and
drafted the following agenda, which was adopted for the
meeting when it was opened by Lulu Mae Thompson, the
Chairman.

"Dues
District Committee report
Discussion on the purposes of the Valley organization
Lunch
Program of activity
Peace, NAACP, Democratic Party and Clubs,
Mc Clellan, Labor and Knowland
Good and Welfare

"Marie Gorin, Secretary-treasurer of the Club
collected dues. Those paying were:
Jim Ballard, Tulare County
Delmer Berg, Stanislaus County
Lulu Ma Thompson for San Joaquin County and
also dues she had collected previously from
Jim Ballard and Fresno County (Nadiene Smith).

"At this time, Frank George asked Lulu Mae Thomp-
son to take \$20.00 to turn into the People's World for
Fresno and he gave he another \$4.00 to be turned in for a

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years subscription for:

Mrs. Charles Ashjian
3344 Montecito
Fresno.

"Lulu Mae Thompson, assisted by Lillian Ransome then gave a report on the District Committee meeting which was held on Sept. 22nd. The section voted to endorse the resolution adopted by the District Committee with respect to the People's World and to take it into their clubs for further discussion.

"Before lunch a short period of discussion was held in which those present expressed their feelings on the reasons for the Valley organization and how its aims could best be achieved.

"After lunch, Howard Thompson was elected to be the representative of the Section on the Committee which will make the arrangements for the Labor Conference which is to be held some time in November.

"There was then a short discussion on Peace Activity in the Valley and it seemed to be the general opinion that the Clubs could make some use of the literature put out by the Quakers, but that we must not do so much that it looks like the party is taking over their campaign.

"Marie Gorin stated that in Sacramento they are unable to maintain active membership in the NAACP because of "red-baiting" but that they promote the work of the NAACP in other organizations they can work in. Lillian Ransome and Barney DeVeto said the NAACP does not have an active organization in their area and Frank George said that he is the only member of the Party in his area who believes it is worthwhile to attend the NAACP meetings. Delmer Berg stated that he had been a delegate from the Modesto NAACP to a recent conference held at Asilomar.

"During the meeting, Marie stated that her Club

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owned a mimeograph and that it was stored in her basement. She told the Thompson's they could pick it up to use to mimeograph material to be used by the Section if they would like to.

"The remaining items on the agenda were referred to the Clubs for discussion.

"The next meeting for the Section was set for January 19, 1958 at the Thompson home.

"After the meeting was closed, Lulu Mae Thompson made arrangements with Jim Ballard and Frank George to hold a meeting somewhere in Fresno on Sunday, November 17th. Joe Figueiredo is to invited as a guest at this meeting.

"Everybody but Lillian, Barney and Marie Gorin left at about 3:45 PM. Those who remained had some coffee and Jack Jilbert stopped in for a visit. He did not leave until about 6:00 PM, but the others had gone at about 5:30 PM.

"/s/ [redacted]

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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 10/15/57 that the CP Labor conference will be held at the home of MICKIE LIMA on 11/1/57. Informant could furnish no additional information.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-16828) DATE: 10/23/57

FROM: SA WILLIAM G. CARPENTER

SUBJECT: CP ACTIVITIES
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.	Valley Sec. meeting at Lathrop, Calif. 10/6/57	10/11/57	Writer	[redacted]

The informant orally furnished information which was reduced to a statement and signed by the informant on 10/11/57. This report is quoted as follows:

"October 8, 1957
Fresno, California

"I attended a Valley Section (San Joaquin and Sacramento) meeting comprised of representatives of the Tulare, Fresno, Modesto, Lathrop, Sacramento, and the Marysville groups of the Northern District of the California Communist Party on October 6, 1957 at the home of LULU MAE THOMPSON, Lathrop, California.

cc: [redacted]

100-22798	(J. BALLARD)	(SI)	(LULU MAE THOMPSON)
100-31187	(D. BALLARD)	(SI)	(MR. THOMPSON)
100-35873	(C. WILLIAMS)	(SI)	(LILLIAN RANSOM)
100-28272	(F. GEORGE)	(SI)	(BERNARD DeVETO)
100-16827	(TULARE CP)		(MARIE (LNU)
97-16	(PW)		(DELL (LNU)
			(VALLEY SECTION, NORTHERN DIST)
			("PEOPLE'S WORLD")

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"In attendance were representatives of the following groups:

"LULU MAE THOMPSON, and Mr. THOMPSON her husband, from Lathrop.

"JIM and DELLA BALLARD, and CHUCK WILLIAMS, from Tulare.

"FRANK GEORGE and HASKELL SMITH, from Fresno.

"LILLIAN RANSOM and BERNARD DeVETO, from Marysville. DeVETO resides at 1136 A Garden Avenue, Marysville.

"MARIE, whose last name is unknown, from Sacramento. MARIE is about 5' 6", 140 to 145 pounds, white race, heavy set, brown hair which is graying, in her late 40's.

"DELL, whose full name I do not know, from Modesto, is in early 30's, white, male, American, brown hair, brown eyes, about 160 pounds, 5' 10", slender build.

"The representatives from Tulare and Fresno Counties drove to Lathrop in BALLARDS' auto, leaving Fresno about 7:30 am and arriving at the meeting at about 10:15 am.

"The meeting was chaired by LULU MAE THOMPSON who collected dues from each group. She stated that \$32.34 had been collected.

"Mrs. THOMPSON read a report from the Northern District, State of California, Communist Party which said that circulation of the 'Peoples World' had dropped in the Southern part of the State, but had increased slightly in the Northern section. She read that plans are underway to reduce the size of the 'Peoples World' from sixteen pages to twelve, and that a circulation drive is being planned to increase the circulation an additional 25%. She read that in the future the 'Peoples World' financial drive will be held at a time other than during the summer when it is hardest to raise money.

"Mrs. THOMPSON stated that all Communist Party groups should discuss the 'Peoples World' at their meetings

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and decide whether the 'Peoples World' in the future in content should be more closely tied in with the Communist Party, or whether local problems should be discussed and separated from any connection with the Communist Party.

"LULU MAE THOMPSON read a report of the National Committee of the Communist Party, USA, urging all Communist Party members to do what they can to fight for the civil rights of the negroes in the South. She read that there are 350,000 colored people enrolled in the schools of the South, but that there are 2½ million negroes who are not allowed to attend the same schools as the whites.

"The group elected LULU MAE's husband, Mr. THOMPSON, and another individual, the husband of the woman named MARIE (not present) to a committee to meet with a California Labor Commission in the future to discuss the farm problem in the State of California. Mrs. THOMPSON stated that this will be an open meeting and urged all to attend if able."

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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San Francisco, California

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Assistant
Request of Special Agent in Charge, FBI,

CP USA IS-C SF 100-11889

for information concerning the case entitled

Signed:

Robert F. Savage
Special Agent

Authority (Date) Bulet 7-26-57

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TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 11/18/57

FROM : SA

Robert F. SAVAGE

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SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

CP, USA, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 11/4/57 by [] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 10/31/57, concerns arrangements for the CP N. Calif. District Committee (CP NCDC) meeting on 11/3/57. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in []

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THE INFORMANT CAN TESTIFY TO THE FOLLOWING:

Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
October 31, 1957

On Monday evening, October 23, 1957, Lulu Mae Thompson received a telephone call from Mickie Lima. He told her that he had to change the date for the District Committee meeting again because he had received word that he would have to attend a meeting in New York and would be gone on the 6th of November. The new date set for the meeting of the District Committee was Sunday, November 3, 1957 at 10:00 AM in the offices of the People's World.

Mickie stated that he was still counting on Howard Thompson coming to his place on Friday evening, November 1st to attend the meeting of the Arrangements Committee for the Labor Conference. He did not state that it was for this purpose but his statement was worded so Lulu Mae Thompson understood this. /s/ []

[] orally furnished the following information to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 11/4/57: MICKIE LIMA is Chairman of the CP Northern California District Committee and LULU MAE THOMPSON is the Chairman of the CP Valley Section. At the CP, NCDC meeting on 11/3/57, LIMA advised that WILLIAM SCHEIDERMAN, DOROTHY HEALY and LIMA are to attend the CP National Committee meeting in New York on the week end of 11/9,10/57 and that one of the main issues is to be the split with the FOSTER faction. OLETA YATES expressed the view that FOSTER has a right to think differently. AL RICHMOND and JOE FIGUERIDO indicated that they

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(MICKIE LIMA)

(WILLIAM SCHEIDERMAN)

(JOE FIGUERIDO)

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100-30717

(AL RICHMOND)

(OLETA YATES)

(CP DOMESTIC ADMINISTRATION ISSUES)

(DOROTHY HEALY)

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are not going to attend the meeting in New York. WILLIAM SCHNEIDERMAN indicated at this meeting that the CP National Headquarters might be moved to the West Coast. Informant was unable to say whether or not SCHNEIDERMAN made this statement in jest. Informant is furnishing separate report regarding CP NCDC meeting on 11/3/57.

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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 11/4/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 10/31/57, concerns a meeting of the San Joaquin County Communist Party held at Lathrop, California on 10/22/57. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

THE INFORMANT CAN TESTIFY TO THE FOLLOWING

Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
October 31, 1957

A Communist Party meeting was held at the home of the Howard Thompson's on Tuesday evening, October 22, 1957. The following people were present:

Jack Jilbert
Howard and Evangeline Keylor
Howard and Lulu Mae Thompson

When the meeting opened, Lulu Mae Thompson collected dues as follows:

Howard Thompson	Dues; Sept.	\$10.00
	Sustainer	1.00
L.M. Thompson	Dues, Sept.	.50
Jack Jilbert	Dues, Oct., Nov. & Sept	.45
	Sustainer	1.00
	Alabama fund	.55
Howard Keylor	Sustainer for Sept. & Oct.	1.00

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cc: [redacted] (SF 1604-S)

100-20472 (IRVING JACK JILBERT)
100-29506 (HOWARD KEYLOR)
100-31446 (EVANGELINE KEYLOR)
100-25065 (CP FUNDS)
97-27 (PW)
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A report on the last two District Meetings was then given by Lulu Mae Thompson and included in the report was a reading of the resolution passed by the District Committee about the World. The Club expressed approval of the resolution.

A report of the last meeting of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Section meeting was then given by Howard and Lulu Mae Thompson.

Howard Keylor reported that he had received a letter from a group of former Party members from Southern California. It was an "open letter" to Communist Party members and those sending it were evidently expelled members of the Party. Keylor told Lulu Mae Thompson that he would turn the letter over to her to bring it up for discussion before the District Committee.

Date set for the next meeting was Wednesday, November 7th at Thompsons.

/s/ [redacted]

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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 11/4/57 that the "form letter" referred to by HOWARD KEYLOR was apparently from some CP members in Los Angeles, California that have affiliated with the SWP.

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SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11839)

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SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

CP, USA, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 11/4/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 10/31/57, is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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THE INFORMANT CAN TESTIFY TO THE FOLLOWING:

Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
October 31, 1957

On Sunday, October 20, 1957, Howard and Lulu Mae Thompson went to Oakland to Mickie Lima's home, arriving at about 9:45 AM. Mickie was not home and Lulu Mae Thompson told his wife that they had come to attend the Labor Conference Arrangements Committee meeting that had been scheduled for that day. She stated (Mrs. Lima) that she thought the meeting was to be held at the home of Mike Frieden and she told the Thompson's how to get there.

They went right over to Frieden's and were told by his daughter that her mother had just taken Frieden to the hospital. Since Mrs. Lima had told the Thompsons that she didn't know anything more about the meeting, they decided the only thing to do was to return home.

That evening, Mickie Lima called Lulu Mae Thompson from Oakland and stated that he had thought he was to confirm the date for the Arrangements Committee meeting, so he had not expected the Thompsons to come down. He said that previously scheduled meetings would prevent holding the next District Committee meeting on Friday night, November 1st, so he asked that Howard Thompson come to Oakland on that evening for the Committee meeting and told Lulu Mae Thompson that the District Committee meeting would be held on Friday, November 8th at 8:00 PM at the PW offices.

/s/ [redacted]

1 - SF (100-11839)

cc: [redacted] (SF 1604-S)

65-1242 (MICKIE LIMA)
100-23630 (CP STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
100-6692 (MIKE FRIEDEN)
100- (HELEN LIMA)
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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 11/4/57 that the CP Labor Conference Arrangements Committee meeting was held on 11/1/57 at the home of MICKIE LIMA, Chairman of the CP Northern California District Committee (CP NCDC). Informant further advised that the CP NCDC meeting was held on 11/3/57 at San Francisco, California. Informant stated that HOWARD THOMPSON is a member of the Arrangements Committee and that LULU MAE THOMPSON is CP Valley Chairman and member of the CP NCDC.

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SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

CP, USA, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 11/12/57, by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 11/11/57, concerns arrangements for the forthcoming CP Labor Conference. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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THE INFORMANT CAN TESTIFY TO THE FOLLOWING:

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
November 11, 1957

"The arrangements committee for the Labor Conference which is being planned by the Communist Party held a meeting at the home of MICKIE LIMA in Oakland and the following people were present:

"FRANK FINK

ARNIE (approximately 6', 190 lbs, bright blue eyes, premature-gray hair, nearly white, light but ruddy

cc: [redacted] (SF 1601-S)

100-28630 (CP STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
100-22198 (FRANCES FINK)
100-6692 (MIKE FRIEDEN)
100- (FRED FINE)
100- (BOB [redacted])
100- (ARNIE [redacted])

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complexion, 43 to 45 yrs)

MIKE FRIEDEN

BOB (about 5' 10", 195 lbs, ruddy complexion,
dark, gray eyes, black hair, slightly
gray, about 45 years)

HOWARD and LULU MAE THOMPSON

MICKIE LIMA

"When FRAN and ARNIE arrived they said they had just come from MIKES and in a few minutes MIKE and BOB arrived together.

"MICKIE LIMA opened the meeting and said the Northern District Committee had considered the question of a Labor conference and had decided that a Northern District Conference would be best, but that he had told FRED FINE and he still insisted on a Western District Conference which would include all the western states, even Montana, Idaho, Arizona and Nevada. FINE told him he would attend and he would like to have the meeting held on January 18 and 19, 1958.

"A long discussion led to the following decisions: A Northern District Conference will be held about two weeks before the Western District Conference and it will be very "broad", having representatives from all areas and industries. From this group, five or six will be chosen to represent Northern California at the Western Conference.

"LIMA is to try to get FINE to change the date for the Western District Conference to January 25th and 26th to make

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it possible to have the Northern District Conference after the holiday season.

"A piece of note paper was passed around by MICKIE and he stated that the industries written down there were the ones which FINE had said should have special attention at the Conferences. They were Lumber, Maritime and Mine and Mill.

"The next meeting of this committee will be held at MICKIE LIMA's on Friday evening, November 22, 1957 at 8:00 PM.

/s/ [redacted]

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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 11/12/57, that the above Labor Conference arrangements committee meeting was held on 11/1/57.

[redacted] was thoroughly interviewed by SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 11/12/57, and could furnish no additional information.

ACTION. Open and assign unsubs BOB _____ and ARNIE _____ for identification.

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SA. ROBERT F. SAVAGE

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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE, on 11/12/57, by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 11/11/57, concerns a meeting of the San Joaquin County Communist Party held on 11/6/57, at Lathrop, California. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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THE INFORMANT CAN TESTIFY TO THE FOLLOWING:

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
November 11, 1957

"There was a meeting of the Communist Party at the home of the HOWARD THOMPSONs on Wednesday evening, November 6, 1957, and the following people attended:

HOWARD and LULU MAE THOMPSON
HOWARD and EVANGELINE KEYLOR

"The first order of business was the collection of dues and HOWARD KEYLOR paid

cc: [redacted] (SF 1604-S)

100-29506 (HOWARD KEYLOR)
100-31446 (EVANGELINE KEYLOR)
100-25085 (CP FUNDS)
97-27 (PW)
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the following:

HOWARD KEYLOR	September dues	\$3.00
EVANGELINE KEYLOR	" "	.250
Donation	Alabama Fund	.50

"LULU MAE THOMPSON then reported on the last District meeting she had attended and HOWARD THOMPSON reported on the meeting which was held by the Labor Conference planning committee which he attended as the representative of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Section.

"The Club discussed the People's World Subscription Drive and agreed to accept a quota of 10 new subscriptions.

"KEYLOR reported that he had been asked to run for President of the United Democratic Club and also to seek election as a Democratic Central Committee man and election to the County Council of Democratic Clubs. He stated that he felt obligated to at least run for Club president because he had helped to organize the Club and they are having difficulty getting a president. It was agreed that it was bad policy to accept such a position, but it would be best to present the problem to the Northern District Chairman for his opinion.

"KEYLOR turned over a letter to LULU MAE THOMPSON to give to the Northern District Chairman. (Copy enclosed).

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"The next Club meeting will be held
at THOMPSON's on Wednesday evening,
November 20, 1957.

"s/ [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE
on 11/12/57, that the letter which HOWARD KEYLOR
turned over to LULU MAE THOMPSON, was from some
former CP members in Los Angeles who had become
affiliated with the SWP. A copy of this letter
is being submitted under separate memo.

ACTION. File.

CITY San Francisco, California

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Request of Special Agent in Charge, FBI, San Francisco

for information concerning the case entitled CP USA IS-C SF 100-11889

Signed: Robert H. Savage
Special Agent

Authority (Date) Bulet 7-26-57

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM -----U.S. GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, San Francisco (100-43420)

Date: 12/2/57

FROM: SA EDWARD C. RUDIGER

RE: PHIL (last name unknown) (SF 1604 -S)

The above-captioned individual, who until very recently was carried on the rolls of the North Beach Club, CP of San Francisco, as a member of that club, has been reported as having now dropped out of the CP. He has never been observed by any North Beach Club informants to have been in attendance at any club meetings nor at any other North Beach functions.

The only descriptive data available is that the Subject is a White, male with a droopy mustache. He allegedly lives alone in an apartment, possibly in the North Beach Section of the city, drinks considerably and has the reputation of being over-friendly with women.

Agents receiving copies of this memo are requested to furnish the above descriptive data to their informants in an attempt to identify captioned individual, and return this memo to SA RUDIGER by December 20, 1957 with the dates and results of any negative contacts reflected thereon.

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2. SA E. C. RUDIGER #9

OFFICE MEMORANDUM * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-26388)
FROM : SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE
SUBJECT: CP ACTIVITIES, STANISLAUS COUNTY
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 11/12/57, by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 11/11/57, concerns a meeting of the Stanislaus County Communist Party held at Empire, California, on 11/10/57. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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THE INFORMANT CAN TESTIFY TO THE FOLLOWING:

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
November 11, 1957

"The Stanislaus County Club of the Communist Party held a meeting on Sunday, November 10, 1957 at 2:00 PM at the Phil Davis home in Empire. Those present at the meeting were:

HOMER and LEORA CHASTAINE
HOWARD and LULU MAE THOMPSON

cc: [redacted] (SF 1604-S)

[redacted]
100-30046 (PHIL DAVIS)
100-30040 (HARRIET DAVIS)
100-35746 (HOMER CHASTEEN)
100-31080 (LEORA CHASTEEN)
100-27988 (DELMER BERG)
100-28630 (CP STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
97-27 (PW)
100-28334 (MAY MURRAY)
100-36187 (WILLIAM WAKEFIELD) b7A
100- (FELLOWSHIP OF RECONCILIATION)
100- (JAMES WEST)
105-5646 (NORTHERN CALIFORNIA COMMITTEE AGAINST NUCLEAR WEAPONS)

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PHIL and HARRIET DAVIS
DEL BERG

"Preceding the meeting, PHIL DAVIS said he had left it up to DEL to let the members know about the meeting and he did not know whether he had seen BILL WAKEFIELD.

"LULU MAE THOMPSON gave a report of the last District meeting she attended and HOWARD THOMPSON reported on the meeting of the arrangements committee for the Labor Conference which he had attended.

"DELMER BERG stated that he felt that ARCHIE BROWN was right when he had written to the People's World protesting an advertisement which the paper had printed for the Socialist Worker's Party.

"BERG stated that the NAACP was sponsoring a "Hooper" meeting and he also asked the Club to participate in an Atomic Weapons protest meeting in Livermore. Both these meetings will be held on November 24th.

"A quota of 5 new subscriptions was accepted by the Club for the drive by the People's World.

"LULU MAE THOMPSON asked if their Club was losing members as so many clubs are, DEL remarked that the only ones they had lost were the ROBINSONS who had moved away and MAY MURRAY, but they did not really feel they had lost her. It was just the way things were. HARRIET then stated that MAY is to marry CURLEY MURRAY's uncle in January.

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"DAVIS reported that two investigators from the immigration department had visisted him in either August or September and he had refused to talk to them about JIM WEST. He said he had known a man in Washington who had used that name, but he did not know if it was the same man and he did not state what the mans real name is.

"CHASTAINE reported that he had been working at the Stockton Walnut Plant, but had been laid off on Friday night.

"The Club will meet again on December 1, 1957 at the CHASTAINE home in Riverbank at 2:00 PM.

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"/s/ [redacted]

[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 11/12/57, that LILLIAN MAY MURRY, continues to be a member of the Stanislaus County CP, and that she is going to marry WESLEY PERMENTER. Informant could furnish no additional information regarding "JIM WEST".

ACTION. Open and assign case on JIM WEST to identify and furnish info to Seattle. (Particular care should be used to protect identity of informant.)

SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-21236)

December 10, 1957

SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

CP ACTIVITIES, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on November 22, 1957 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated November 22, 1957, concerns a meeting of the San Joaquin County Communist Party held at Lathrop, California on November 20, 1957. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

The informant can testify to the following:

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
November 22, 1957

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"The Howard Thompson home was the location for a Communist Party meeting on Wednesday evening, November 20, 1957. The following people were present.

"Howard Keylor
Howard and Lulu Mae Thompson
Jack Jilbert

"Howard Keylor opened the meeting and called on Lulu Mae Thompson and she read a statement made by Mickie Lima to the National Committee when he presented the motion passed by the Northern District Committee. A copy of the motion was also read and a brief summary of the National Committee meeting, held on the week-end of November 9th and 10th.

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1 - [redacted] (SF 1604-S)

1 - 100-29506 (HOWARD KEYLOR)
1 - 100-20472 (IRVING JOHN JILBERT)
1 - 100-25347 (CP POLITICAL ACTIVITIES)
1 - 100-33528 (HENRY FAXON SAUNDERS)

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"Howard Keylor stated that Henry Saunders, who is the president of the Port Stockton Democratic Club had suggested that the United Democratic Club unite with the Port Stockton Club and the idea is being considered by both Clubs.

"A discussion of the role of the Party in the 1958 elections in California concluded the meeting and the date set for the next meeting was December 5th.

"/s/ [redacted]

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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on November 22, 1957 that HOWARD KEYLOR, chairman of the San Joaquin County CP, stated at the CP meeting on November 20, 1957 that HENRY SAUNDERS had previously suggested to him that the two Democratic Party clubs merge. Informant cannot testify to the actual statement made by SAUNDERS, but only to the statement made by KEYLOR and attributed by KEYLOR to SAUNDERS. Informant could furnish no additional information.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-16828) DATE: 12/9/57

FROM : SA WILLIAM G. CARPENTER

SUBJECT: CP ACTIVITIES
FRESNO COUNTY

INFORMANT ACTIVITY . . . RECEIVED AGENT LOCATION

[redacted] who has furnished reliable info in the past and whose identity should be protected.	Joint mtg Fresno-Tulare groups, CP, 11/17/57	11/21/57	Writer	[redacted]
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Informant orally furnished information which was reduced to a statement and signed by the informant on 11/21/57. Informant's report is quoted as follows:

"November 18, 1957
Fresno, California:

"I attended a joint meeting of the Fresno-Tulare groups of the Communist Party at the home of FRANK GEORGE in Sanger, California, on November 17, 1957, from 2:00 PM to approximately 6:00 PM.

"In attendance were the following: JIM BALLARD, DELLA BALLARD, and CHUCK WILLIAMS from the Tulare group; BUD DILLON, FRANK GEORGE, NADINE and HASKELL SMITH from the Fresno group; and LULU MAE and HOWARD THOMPSON and an individual named JOE FIGUEROA (phonetic) from the San Francisco Bay area. This last individual was in his late 30's or early 40's weighed from 140 to 150 pounds, medium to slender build, black hair with a receding hair line, and of Portuguese descent. He was wearing horn-rim glasses

cc: [redacted]

100-28272 (F. GEORGE) (SI)
100-48482 (B. DILLON) (SI)
100-22798 (J. BALLARD) (SI)
100-31187 (D. BALLARD) (SI)
100-35873 (C. WILLIAMS) (SI)
100-16827 (TULARE CP)
97-16 (PW)

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which he mentioned that he had just begun wearing.

"The meeting was chaired by FRANK GEORGE who introduced LULU MAE THOMPSON who told of a proposal recently made at a Northern District meeting of the California Communist Party concerning dues, and that if it is satisfactory with the clubs a proposal will be adopted as follows: housewives, students, and the unemployed will pay \$.50 monthly; those with a weekly take-home pay under \$80.00 will pay \$1.00 monthly; those with a weekly take-home pay between \$80.00 and \$110.00 will pay \$2.50; and those with a take home pay in excess of \$110.00 will pay \$5.00 monthly.

"LULU MAE also announced that the 'People's World' subscription drive has begun. JIM BALLARD, speaking for the Tulare group, advised that the Tulare group will have five subscriptions as its goal. BUD DILLON suggested that the Fresno group will also have as its goal five subscriptions, and this was agreed on by the other members present.

"JOE FIGUEROA then spoke stating that the following is his autobiography: He was born in Massachusetts, and his father died when he was seven years of age. His mother was a textile worker. He began working in the mines when he was fourteen years of age, and he later worked as a textile, glass factory, and steel worker. He joined the Communist Party in Massachusetts in 1938, and he gave talks over a radio station with which the Communist Party had time. He came to California about six years ago because of the Smith Act prosecutions stating that the Communist Party had advised him to leave. He said that it took him two years to get back into the Communist Party in California. He said that after joining the Communist Party in Calif. the Communist Party wanted him to go underground, but he refused stating that he could be of more use otherwise. He said he was later elected to the National Committee of the Communist Party. He said that once he was supposed to leave from his employment to attend a National Committee meeting in the East, but his personnel department in the plant where he worked told him that he would lose his job if he took sick leave to go back East. He said that someone in the personnel department told him that he would lose his job if he took sick leave, and that apparently the personnel department

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was aware of his plans.

"FIGUEROA further said that not too long ago he made an excuse to his personnel department that he was buying a house in Massachusetts where his family lived, and in this way attended a National Committee meeting of the Communist Party. JOE reported that as a result of his attendance at a National Committee meeting he is able to report that the Communist Party is growing weaker in the United States, that Communist Party leaders are split and divided as to the reason for the weakness. He stated that the leaders appear to be afraid to discuss the problem and determine which of the leaders are right. He said that the National Committee has decided that a meeting will be necessary to determine why the Communist Party in the United States has not progressed and grown as in other countries. He said that the Communist Party now recognizes that each member can voice his opinion, and need not follow the opinions of the Communist Party leaders. He said that in January, 1958, there will be a Northern District meeting of the Communist Party at a place not determined, and that the Fresno and Tulare groups should decide on which members should attend."

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889) DATE: 12/12/57
FROM : SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE
SUBJECT: CP, USA,
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 11/27/57, by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 11/25/57, concerns a meeting of the Communist Party, Northern District of California, Labor Conference Arrangements Committee which was held on 11/22/57, at Oakland, California. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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The informant can testify to the following:

"Report on the Communist Party
"Stockton, California
"November 25, 1957

"HOWARD and LULU MAE THOMPSON went to Oakland on Friday evening, November 22, 1957 to attend a meeting

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ccs:

2 - Portland (REG)
2 - Los Angeles (REG)
[redacted] SF 1604-S)

100-28630 (CP STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
65-1242 (MICKIE LIMA)
100-6692 (MIKE FREIDEN)
100-36248 (JOE FIGUERIDO)
100-29549 (ARNOLD MILLER)
100-22198 (FRANCES FINK)
(FRED FINE)
(LAURA KELLY)
(BOB [redacted])
(DAVE [redacted])

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of the arrangements committee which is making plans for a Labor Conference which is to be held by the Communist Party. The meeting was scheduled to be held at MICKIE LIMA's home and the THOMPSONs went there and MICKIE told them the meeting place had been changed to MIKE FRIEDENs house. LULU MAE THOMPSON asked MICKIE for some extra copies of the resolution passed by the Northern California District Committee and the remarks he made when he presented it to the National Committee. He was getting the papers for her when a woman came in and MICKIE introduced her to the THOMPSONs as LAURA KELLY. She remarked that MICKIE was the only person who called her LAURA but she did not say what name other people used. She was very thin, about 5' 6", 125 lbs., dark hair and eyes and she wore a lot of jewelry, mostly heavy silver and turquoise. She has been seen at other large gatherings of Party people and she always wears more jewelry than is common.

"LIMA said he would ride to MIKE's with the THOMPSONs and when they got outside, JOE FIGUEIREDO drove up and they all went with him. Several of the Committee members were at MIKE's when they got there and the others arrived shortly. The following people were present for the meeting:

"MICKIE LIMA

"HOWARD and LULU MAE THOMPSON

"JOE FIGUEIREDO

"BOB These two attended the first meeting at MICKIEs)

"ARNIE

"DAVE-- From Santa Clara County. Said he had been appointed to take FRAN FINK's place on the Committee. About 5' 7", 140-150 lbs, dark slightly wavy hair, gray eyes, nose had a hump in it as though it might have been broken at some time, medium complexion. Gave the impression that he is a machinist.

"When MICKIE opened the meeting he stated that he had seen FRED FINE at the National Committee meeting and had gotten his approval of the Committee's plan to hold a Northern California District Labor Conference prior

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to the West Coast Conference and they had set tentative dates of January 18th or 19th and February 2nd or 3rd. FINE had said he would be present for both meetings and would spend the intervening time in Portland and Los Angeles. LIMA remarked that he had seen BERT WILSON (Oregon?) and he thought a Saturday meeting for the West Coast Conference would be best and easiest for them to attend. BEN from Los Angeles said they would be able to send 10 or 12 representatives.

"LIMA stated that in his discussions with FINE they had thought FINE should open the meeting with a resume of his report and that he could also include anything he had picked up at other conferences he is attending. MICKIE stated that he expects a copy of the Labor Draft Resolution any day and he will have it mimeographed and sent out to the Clubs immediately so it can be studied and discussed.

"The committee decided to ask that all proposals for additions, alterations, or corrections to the Resolution be sent in prior to the Conference so they could be sent to FINE for consideration.

"Both conferences will be held in the Bay area. The Northern District Conference will be held on Saturday, January 18th and the Committee is considering opening it on Friday night, the 17th. It was decided to consider the National Report in the morning and devote the afternoon to District problems with specific report on one or two of the following unions: Auto, Longshore, Warehouse and Machinists.

"A statement will be formulated by ARNIE and BOB which will be sent out with the National Document and it will announce the Conferences, outline the aims and ask for suggestions. MICKIE said he could not help in getting out this statement because he had to make a trip during the next week. Later in the evening he said he was going to Portland.

"The next meeting of this committee will be held on Saturday morning, January 11th at 9:30 AM. MICKIE said to come to his place to get the address of the meeting place.

/s/

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MEMO, SAC
SF 100-11889

[] was interviewed on 12/2/57 by SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE at which time informant identified "ARNIE" as ARNOLD MILLER. Informant could furnish no additional information.

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ACTION RECOMMENDED:

Returns ccs on LAURA KELLY, BOB [] and
DAVE [] to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE for identification.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889) DATE: 12/18/57
FROM : SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE
SUBJECT: CP, USA, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
IS - C

The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on November 25, 1957 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated November 22, 1957, concerns a meeting of the Fresno and Tulare County Communist Party clubs at Fresno, California on November 17, 1957. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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The informant can testify to the following:

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
November 22, 1957

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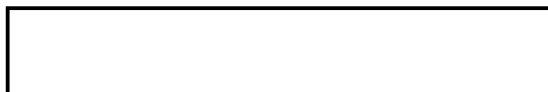
1- [redacted]
1-100-36248 (JOE FIGUERIDO)
1-97-27 (PW)
1-61-380 (SWP)
1-100-25085 (CP FUNDS)
1-100-26239 (CO MEMBERSHIP)

13 - Los Angeles (REGISTERED) 1-100-28272 (FRANK GEORGE)
1-100-22798 (JIM BALLARD)
1-134-169 (LA 3593-S)
1-100-48482 (BUD DILLON)
1-100-31187 (DELLA BALLARD)
1-100-35873 (CHUCK WILLIAMS)
1-97-16 (PW)
1-100-16828 (CP FRESNO CO.)
1-100-16827 (CP TULARE CO.)
1- (NADINE SMITH)
1- (Mrs. FRANK GEORGE)
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"Joe Figueiredo, a member of the National Committee and a member of the Northern California District Committee of the Communist Party arrived at the home of the Howard Thompson's on Sunday morning, November 17, 1957 at about 10:00 AM. He left with the Thompsons in their car to attend a meeting of the Fresno and Tulare County Clubs of the Communist Party. in Fresno.

"During the trip to Fresno, Lulu Mae Thompson asked Joe if he had been able to attend the National Committee meeting in New York as he had planned and he said he had, but he wondered for awhile because the FBI had called at his home while he was bathing before leaving. His wife told them he wouldn't see them and she refused to talk to them. He said the resolution which was passed by the Northern California District Committee and presented to the National Committee by the National Committee members from the area had been well received.

"Lulu Mae Thompson told Joe that she felt he had a better understanding of the situation because of his background and present position on the National Committee and so she felt it would be best if he could report the last two District Meetings to the Fresno-Tulare Clubs at the meeting. In preparation for this he studied some notes he had with him.

"It was about 2:05 PM when they arrived at the Frank George home East of Fresno and Mrs. George fixed lunch for them. While she was preparing lunch the following people came in:

"Nadine and Haskel Smith and their daughter,
about 8 years old.

Bud Dillon

Jim and Della Ballard

Chuck Williams.

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"Della Ballard spent some of the time of the meeting in the kitchen with Mrs. George who is not a Party member and could not attend the meeting.

"The meeting was called to order by Frank George and he asked Lulu Mae Thompson to make her report as the District Committee member. She gave her reasons for feeling that Figueiredo could give a better report. This was satisfactory to the others and so Joe gave the report and then answered questions from those present. Following this, Lulu Mae Thompson asked the two Clubs to establish a quota for themselves for the People's World Subscription Drive and they each agreed on a quota of five new subs.

"The Clubs stated they did not agree with the editor of the paper in the printing of an editorial on the advertisement which was accepted from the Socialist Workers Party because they thought all that was necessary was to print a statement of non-responsibility.

"Lulu Mae Thompson accepted dues from Jim Ballard for Tulare County, for December. He gave her \$17.28. Of this amount, \$12.00 was the Clubs sustainer for October, November and December. The balance was 80% of the dues he collected for December. He also gave her a registration form he had made up himself which showed the following facts:

"13 member----7 male and 6 female

3 over 70 yrs, 6 between 60 and 70, and 4 between 50 and 60 Yrs. in Party

Over 24 years	4
19 years	1
10 yrs or less	8

"Union ----1 operatin engineer
Industry----1 mechanic, 1 self-employed,
3 farm laborer, 1 packer, 6 pensioners, 1 housewife.

"Organization 4 NAACP, 5 California Pension Group

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"Nadine Haskel turned over three envelopes which contained dues and sustainers for Fresno County for September, October and November, noted as follows:

"1 @	50
1 @	\$1.00
1 @	1.25
2 @	2.50
<u>\$7.75</u> total paid dues, less 20% equals	
6.20. Sustainer \$4.00	

"The meeting was closed at about 5:30 PM and after enjoying cake and coffee everybody left for their homes.

"During the trip home Joe Figueiredo stated that it was his opinion that, especially in the past the Party had often interfered too much in the member's personal affairs. He stated that, unless it interfered with the Party, a members personal affairs should not be intruded upon.

"At about 9:45 PM they arrived at the Thompson's and Joe visited with the Thompsons until about 11:00 PM, and then left for San Francisco.

"/s/ [redacted]

Motions made by the Northern California District Committee to the National Committee of the CP are being furnished under separate memo. [redacted] was thoroughly interviewed by SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on November 25, 1957 and could furnish no additional information.

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TO : SAC

DATE: 1/2/58


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FROM : SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

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SUBJECT: SE 1604-S

Dates of Contact <u>11/22, 25, 27/57 ; 12/2, 3, 10, 11, 19/57 ; 1/2/58</u>	
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	100-11889
	100-21286
Purpose and results of contact	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Positive	11/22, 25, 27/57; 12/3, 19/57; 1/2/58
	
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for information concerning the case entitled CP USA IS-C SF 100-11889

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Signed:

Robert F. Savage
Special Agent

Authority (Date) SF let 10-17-57

APPROVED:

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Informant's File No.

[Redacted Box]

SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889)

January 1958

SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

CP, USA, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
IS-C

The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 12/19/57 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 12/18/57, concerns a Northern California Communist Party District Committee meeting held on 12/13/57 at San Francisco, Calif. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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The Informant can testify to the following:

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
December 18, 1957

The Northern District Committee of California of the Communist Party held a meeting in the offices of the People's World on Friday evening, December 13, 1957 and the following people attended:

MICKIE LIMA
ROSS (ROSCOE)
ARCHIE BROWN
MERLE BROTSKY
MATT CRAWFORD
BILL SCHNEIDERMAN
MARTIN LUDWIG
VENUS THOMPSON

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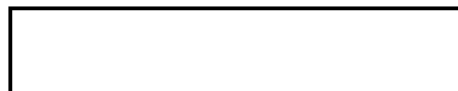
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65-1242 (MICKIE LIMA)
100-25215 (ROSCOE PROCTOR)
61-398 (ARCHIE BROWN)
100-21889 (MERLE BRODSKY)
100-4987 (MATT CRAWFORD)
97-26 (WM. SCHNEIDERMAN)
100-26072 (MARTIN LUDWIG)
100-5867 (JOE MORRIS)
61-415 (AL RICHMOND)
100-30717 (CP PARTY LINE)
100-3359 (CP ATTEMPTS TO INFILTRATE MASS ORGS.)
100-9884 (HOLLAND ROBERTS)

2 - Los Angeles (REG)
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LULU MAE THOMPSON
JOE MORRIS
AL RICHMOND
HOWARD THOMPSON

"This meeting was supposed to be held to continue the discussion of the role of the Party, but MICKIE opened the meeting by stating that something had come up which should be discussed immediately and he suggested postponing the proposed agenda to a later date. He also announced that the meeting of the State Co-ordinating Committee with the District Committees from Northern and Southern California would have to be held after the first of the year, preferably after the State Convention of the Democratic Party. He said the South had just recently made "Sparks" their legislative director and they were not yet ready to discuss election policy.

"MICKIE stated that he had heard from someone in the South and they had proposed that Dr. HOLLAND ROBERTS be contacted with the proposition that he run for State Superintendent of Schools. He said he and AL RICHMOND had seen Dr. ROBERTS and he was not receptive to the proposal at first, but after further consideration he had decided that he would like to run if the candidacy was acceptable to the Party. Discussion of this problem took up the whole evening and the Committee decided to urge Dr. ROBERTS to run for State Supt. of Schools, and the Committee would have further discussion and investigative further the question of how socialism should be involved, and to what degree, in the campaign.

"MICKIE made the statement, during the discussion that the National Executive Committee will meet on December 20, 21, and 22 and it was presumed that this meeting would be held in New York as in the past.

"The District Committee of Northern California will hold its next meeting at the home of MICKIE LIMA on Friday evening, December 27th.

"BILL SCHNEIDERMAN was honored at the close of the meeting with a Birthday cake and coffee provided by the THOMPSONS.



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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 12/19/57 that Dr. HOLLAND ROBERTS is to run on a Socialist Coalition ticket. Informant could furnish no additional information.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, [REDACTED]

DATE: 1/23/58

FROM : SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

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SUBJECT: SF 1604-S

☐ PCI ☐ PSI

Dates of Contact 1/2,3,13,16,17,20,21/58
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CP SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

100-21286

Purpose and results of contact

☐ Negative☒ Positive 1/2,3,13,16,17,20,21/58

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Request of ^{ASS'T} Special Agent in Charge, FBI,

CP USA IS-C SF 100-11889

for information concerning the case entitled

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Signed:

Special Agent

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889) DATE: 1/27/58

FROM : SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: CP, USA,
Northern District of California
IS - C

The following written report was furnished by SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 1/16/58 by [] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 1/14/58, concerns a meeting Communist Party Northern California District Labor Conference Arrangements Committee held on 1/11/58 at Oakland, California. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in []

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The Informant can testify to the following:

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
January 14, 1958

"A meeting of the committee making plans for the Labor Conference being held by the Communist Party was held at the home of MICKIE LIMA on Saturday morning, January 11, 1958 at 9:30 AM. The following persons were present:

"HOWARD and LULU MAE THOMPSON
ARNIE MILLER
BOB DE VOLD (?)
JOE FIGUERIDO
MICKIE LIMA

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REVIEWED BY: *[Signature]*

cc: [] (SF 1604-S)

100-29519 (ARNOLD MILLER)
100-36248 (JOE FIGUERIDO)
65-1242 (MICKEY LIMA)
97-27 (FW)
100-28630 (CP STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
61-398 (ARCHIE BROWN)
(FRED FINE)
(BOB DE VOLD) return to writer for identification
(JOHN P. MORGAN) " " " " "
(LABEL []) " " " " "

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"ARNIE stated that the members of the committee in the bay area had realized that it would be impossible to complete all the plans for the conference in the week between this meeting and the conference so the members in the bay area had held a meeting. They had decided that the Clubs had not had the Draft on Labor long enough for proper discussion so they had changed the proposed agenda to have FRED FINE discuss the background leading up to the Draft and then to devote the rest of the Conference to discussion of that and the Right to Work Laws. ARNIE had been chosen to make a report on the Right to Work Law.

"The following agenda was adopted for the Conference:

Friday, January 17, 1958

Offices of the People's World

7:30 PM	Registration	\$1.00 (includes lunch on Saturday)
8:00 PM	Report by FRED FINE	
8:45 PM -- 10:30 PM	General discussion on the report.	

Saturday, January 18, 1958

Same location

8:45 AM	Registration
9:00 AM	Resume of Friday nights report and discussion by FRED FINE for those who could not attend that meeting.
10:00 AM	Continuation of Friday nights discussion
11:15 AM	Break
11:30 AM	Report by ARNIE on Right to Work
12:15 PM	Lunch
1:15	Discussion on Right to Work
4:30 PM	Adjournment

"ARCHIE BROWN was suggested as the Chairman for Friday nights meeting and JOHN P. MORGAN for the Sunday meeting.

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"MICKIE and ARNIE were talking during the discussion and they said "LABEL" had been asked to gather material for ARNIE to use in his report, but so far he had not given him anything, but ARNIE stated he had an appointment with him in San Francisco on Wednesday evening.

[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 1/16/58 that the CP Western District Labor Conference is to be held on 2/1/58 in the San Francisco Bay Area. Informant could furnish no additional information.

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ACTION: File

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889) DATE: 2/3/58
FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE
SUBJECT: CP, USA, NORTHERN DISTRICT
OF CALIFORNIA
IS-C

The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on January 21, 1958, by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated January 20, 1958, concerns a Communist Party, Northern California District, Trade Union Conference held at San Francisco, California, on January 17, and January 18, 1958. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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2 - Los Angeles (REG)	1 - 100-4418 (JACK MONTGOMERY)
(CP, USA)	100-30717 (CP PARTY LINE)
(BEN DOBBS)	100-25347 (CP POLITICAL ACTIVITIES)
3 - New York (REG)	100-3730 (CP SANTA CLARA CO.)
(CP, USA)	100-28718 (CP DOMESTIC ADMIN. ISSUES)
(SID STEIN)	100-25539 (CP BRIEF)
(FRED FINE)	100- (CP METAL TRADES INDUSTRIAL)
1 - Indianapolis (REG)	61-306 (CP ALAMEDA CO.)
[redacted] (SF 1604-S)	100-21283 (CP CONTRA COSTA CO.)
100-28630 (CP STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)	100- (BOB DE VOLD)
97-27 (PW)	return to writer
65-1242 (MICKEY LIMA)	100- (EMMA STIRN)
100-29549 (ARNIE MILLER)	return to writer
100-5867 (JOE MORRIS)	100- (DAVE [redacted])
100-27348 (BARNEY DEVETO)	return to writer
100-27988 (DELMER BERG)	100- (LABEL [redacted])
100-36248 (JOE FIGUERIDO)	return to writer
97-26 (WM. SCHNEIDERMAN)	100-11889
61-415 (AL RICHMOND)	
100-29302 (RALPH IZZARD)	
61-398 (ARCHIE BROWN)	
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SF 100-11889

THE INFORMANT CAN TESTIFY TO THE FOLLOWING:

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
January 20, 1958

"A Labor and Trade Union Conference was held by the Northern California District of the Communist Party on Friday evening and all day Saturday at the offices of the People's World in San Francisco. This was January 17th and 18th, 1958. At Saturday's session Mickie Lima stated that there were about 35 persons at Friday night's meeting and there were around 40 at Saturday's meeting.

"The following were some of those present on Saturday:

Mickie Lima
Sid Stein
Ben Dobbs
Bill Schneiderman
Joe Figueiredo
Al Richmond
Arnie Miller
Bob DeVold
Howard Thompson
Dave (Santa Clara County. Was a member of
the committee)
Joe Morris
Emma Stirn
Lulu Mae Thompson
Barney DeVeto
Dolmer Berg
Ralph Izzard
Archie Brown
Jack Montgomery
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"The delegates from the outlying counties met on the third floor of the People's World building at a little after 9:00 AM and Fred Fino gave a summary of his report of the night before. He remarked that Indiana has gotten out a substitute resolution on Labor and he had a copy, but he had not gotten it through the regular channels and he did not know if it had been accepted for distribution and discussion.

"The conference as a whole was called to order at about 10:30 AM on the second floor and Jack Montgomery was selected as the chairman and the morning session was taken up with discussion of the Draft on Labor and just before lunch Arnie gave a report on the background of the Right to Work Law which they are trying to get on the California ballot. He followed his report with some proposals and during lunch the subcommittee met and considered these proposals and other motions which were made on the Draft Resolution on Labor.

"After lunch there was a general discussion on the Right to Work Law and how to fight it and also the general aspects of the Knowland campaign. This discussion was followed by action on the following resolutions:

#1. That the documents turned in at the meeting by the Metal Trades industrial Club, The East Bay Clubs and the Santa Clara County Clubs, be mimeographed and distributed to the Clubs for discussion. Adopted

#2. That the National Office be called in regards to the Indiana document to see if it had been presented for approval prior to distribution. Adopted

#3. That all proposals for consideration at the Western District (or West Coast) Trade Union

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Conference which is to held in the Bay Area on February 1s, must be in the hands of the committee by January 29th. Adopted

#4. Any proposals to be presented to the National Committee on Labor must be in by February 20th. Adopted. (This date was origininally set for March 1st, but Fred Fine reminded Mickie that the National Committee is scheduled to meet on that date.)

#5. The formula for delegates at the Western District Conference from Northern California should be as follows:

- 1 from each shop and industrial Club
- 1 from each section
- 2 from each county committee

"Since this will make a larger delegation from Northern California, the committee will work out a formula for balancing the vote.

#6. The present Labor Sub-committee will continue as a co-ordinating committee with the addition of one member from each county to work on the Right to Work issue as their main assignment and to work with the present committee. Adopted

#7. That the campaign against the Right to Work Law will be the main Party activity in Northern California. Adopted.

#8. That further meetings and conferences on a District Level on the Right to Work issue will be held.

#9. That the People's World should get out a special issue to "kick-off" the campaign against the Right

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to Work Law and that they should also print a broadside in the initiative and in addition carry articles in the paper on a week to week basis. Adopted. A suggestion was made that a brochure in the name of the Communist Party also be printed and this idea was turned over to the committee for further consideration.

"A counter measure to the Right to Work Law was suggested by Archie Brown in the form of an initiative measure. He suggested a Full Employment Law, but no action was taken.

"The meeting closed at about 4:30 PM. The sub-committee will hold a meeting at Mickie Lima's home on January 29, 1958 at 8:00PM to make plans for the Western Conference on February 1st.

[redacted]
[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on January 21, 1958, that the CP West Coast Labor Conference will be held on February 1, 1958, in the San Francisco Bay Area.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Date: FEB 14 1958

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-26388)
FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE
SUBJECT: CP ACTIVITIES, STANISLAUS COUNTY
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 1/29/58 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 1/27/58, concerns CP activities in Modesto, California. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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The informant can testify to the following:

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
January 27, 1958

"Delmer Berg visited the Howard Thompsons on Wednesday evening January 22, 1958. Berg said the Stanislaus County Club of the Communist Party had been split up. He said that it was apparent that Phil Davis and Leora Chastaine were spending a lot of time together and as a result of this, Harriet Davis was refusing to attend any meetings where Leora was present.

"Berg filled in the registration paper for his Club and told Lulu Mae Thompson to inform Mickie Lima of the following circumstances:

15 - San Francisco (100-26388)

[redacted] SF 1604-S)

[redacted]
(100-27988) (DELMER BERG)
(100-30040) (HARRIET DAVIS)
(100-30046) (PHIL DAVIS)
(100-31080) (LEORA CHASTEEN)
(100-35746) (HOMER CHASTEEN)
(65-1242) (MICKIE LIMA)
(100-21286) (CP SAN JOAQUIN CO.)
(100-26239) (CP MEMBERSHIP)
(100-28334) (MAE MURRY)
(100-25085) (CP FUNDS)

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"The Club has not collected any dues from Homer Chastain since October and they are dropping him as a Club member. He said that Homer has said he will seek membership in the San Joaquin County Club because he is living in Escalon with a "girl named Erline or Arline".

"May Murray has resigned from their Club due to the fact that her future husband is not politically informed enough to understand Communism.

"No one in their Club has heard from the Robertsons and they have not returned the Club funds they had with them, so they were not re-registering them.

Berg said he did not know what the future might hold for the Party in their area but he would try to keep in contact with all the Club members and collect their dues and perhaps they could continue with limited activity.

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[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 1/29/58 that the CP Stanislaus County have registered seven members.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Date: February 14, 1958

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-26388)

FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE

SUBJECT: CP ACTIVITIES, STANISLAUS COUNTY
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The following written report was furnished to SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 1/29/58 by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated 1/27/58, concerns CP members at Modesto, California. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

The informant can testify to the following:

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
January 27, 1958

"Phil Davis and Leora Chastain called at the Howard Thompson home on Sunday afternoon, January 26, 1958. I was their understanding that Delmer Berg had seen the Thompsons and told them about the disorganization in the Stanislaus County Communist Party Club and they wanted to tell the Thompsons that the Club had held a meeting. This meeting was held on Thursday evening and it was considered an "unofficial" meeting because Leora's daughter Virginia was present.

"According to Davis, Homer Chastain has said he is going to try to join the San Joaquin County Club. The Thompsons told David that Chastain could not even be considered for membership in their Club until he has paid up dues in the Stanislaus County Club. Davis intimated that he thought someone from Stockton should see Chastain and talk to him, but the Thompsons said they would not get mixed up in the situation unless Chastain comes to see them.

14 - San Francisco (100-26388)

[redacted] (SF 1604-S)

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(100-30046) (PHIL DAVIS)
(100-30040) (HARRIET DAVIS)
(100-31080) (LEORA CHASTEEN)
(100-35746) (HOMER CHASTEEN)
(100-21286) (CP SAN JOAQUIN CO.)
(100-28334) (LILLIAN MAE MURRY)
(100-27988) (DELMER BERG)
(100-) (ERLINE)
(100-) (VIRGINIA CHASTEEN)

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"Homer is supposed to be living in Escalon with a woman who is about 35 years old and named Erline or it could spelled Earline, according to Leora. This woman's parents are supposed to have been Party members in Los Angeles several years ago. Leora said Homer had brought home some stuffed toys which the mother had made and given to him for the People's World Bazaar a year ago.

"David stated that Delmer Berg had reported at their meeting on Thursday evening that May Murray had received a letter from the Robertsons stating they were going to return to Stanislaus County shortly.

"Phil said that Leora had agreed to stay away from their meetings for awhile so it might be possible for them to continue holding meetings. It was suggested by Lulu Mae Thompson that they might have enough members to split up into two Clubs if the Robertsons returned.

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[REDACTED] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on 1/29/58 that PHIL DAVIS has been going around with LEORA CHASTEN and, as a result of this, HARRIET DAVIS is going to divorce PHIL DAVIS. Informant advised that HOMER and LEORA CHASTEEN are obtaining a divorce.

ACTION:

Open cases on ERLINE _____ and VIRGINIA CHASTEEN to identify.

TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-11889) DATE: 2/3/58
FROM: SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE
SUBJECT: CP, USA, NORTHERN DISTRICT
OF CALIFORNIA
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The following written report was furnished to SAROBERT F. SAVAGE on January 21, 1958, by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. This report, dated January 20, 1958, concerns a Communist Party Valley Section meeting held at Stockton, California, on January 19, 1958. The report is set out verbatim and the original is maintained in [redacted]

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100-22798 (JIM BALLARD)
100-28272 (FRANK GEORGE)
100-16828 (CP FRESNO CO.)
100-16827 (CP TULARE CO.)
100- (NADINE SMITH)
100- (HASKELL SMITH)
1 - [redacted] (SF 1604-S)
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100-27988 (DELMER BERG)
100-27348 (BARNEY DEVETO)
65-1561 (ART GORIN)
100-20472 (JACK JILBERT)
65-1242 (MICKEY LIMA)
100-31391 (LILLIAN RANSOME)
100-30717 (CP PARTY LINE)
100-28630 (CP STRATEGY
IN INDUSTRY)
100-38530 (CP MIMEOGRAPHS)
100-30046 (PHIL DAVIS)
100-30040 (HARRIET DAVIS)
100-31080 (LEORA CHASTEEN)
100-35746 (HOMER CHASTEEN)
100-26546 (CP EDUCATION)
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100-26388 (CP STANISLAUS
CO.)
100-17989 (CP SACRAMENTO
CO.)
100-21287 (CP BUTTE CO.)
100-36363 (CP SUTTER CO.)
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100-21286 (CP SAN JOAQUIN
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THE INFORMANT CAN TESTIFY TO THE FOLLOWING:

"Report on the Communist Party
Stockton, California
January 20, 1958

"The Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Section of the Communist Party held a meeting at the Howard Thompson home on Sunday, January 19, 1958 and the following persons attended the meeting:

Della and Jim Ballard
Delmer Berg
Barney DeVeto
Frank George
Art Garin
Jack Gilbert
Mickie Lima
Lillian Ransome
Nadine and Haskell Smith
Howard and Lulu Mae Thompson

"The Executive Board of the section was supposed to meet at 10:00 AM, followed by the opening of the meeting at 11:00 AM, but Art and Lillian were quite late in arriving so Lulu Mae Thompson served lunch at 12:00 and then the meeting was opened at about 12:45 PM.

"Mickie Lima was called on to give reports on the meetings of the District Committee and the National Committee, and the labor conference which was held in San Francisco the day before. After the report he answered questions and took part in discussion. He was asked if the National Committee had done anything about moving the National offices to Chicago and he said he had been trying to get this done but

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the only thing he had accomplished was to get it on the agenda of the next National Committee meeting. He stated that Dennis is opposed to the move and wants the Committee to discuss it. The section adopted a motion to urge the National Committee to carry out the decision of the National Convention.

"Delmer Berg was elected to represent the Section with Howard Thompson on the Labor Co-ordinating Committee on the Right to Work Law and each Club is to appoint one member who will be responsible for the work of the Club on this issue and to report to Thompson or Berg. Art Gorin and Howard Thompson were chosen as the Section delegates for the Western District Conference on February 1st.

"It was voted to ask that the District Committee set up a sub-committee to prepare material and outlines for educationals in the Club..

"The next meeting of the Section will be held at the Thompson's on Sunday, April 20, 1958.

"After the meeting adjourned at about 4:30 PM, Lulu Mae Thompson and Frank George and Jim Ballard agreed on a date for the next meeting in their area. It will be held at the Ballard home on Friday evening, February 14th at 8:00 PM

"Art Gorin brought a mimeograph to the Thompson's for the use of the section. Everyone had gone from the Thompson's and then at about 6:20 PM, Phil Davis and Leora Chastain arrived. Phil said he wanted to turn in the Stanislaus County dues and he gave Lulu Mae Thompson dues for 16 at 1.25 each (this could have covered a couple of months), less

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20% retained by the Club. He also turned in a \$5.00 sustainer for the Club. He stated that the Club was dropping Homer Chastain from membership and had not collected dues from him since October. He said the Chastains were separating.

"Davis said the Stanislaus County Club would hold their next meeting at the Gurr home in Merced on Sunday, February 2, 1958 and he asked the Thompsons to attend. He also said they would be welcome at the Gurr cabin for a week end at Wawona if they would just make a "reservation" a couple of weeks in advance.

"Phil and Leora stayed until about 7:40 PM. Harriet Davis called Lulu Mae Thompson on the phone at about 6:30 AM Monday and asked Lulu Mae if she knew of any reason for Phil being away all night. Harriet said that they had left home on Sunday morning early enough to reach the Thompson's at 10:00 AM.

[redacted] orally advised SA ROBERT F. SAVAGE on January 21, 1958, that HOMER CHASTEEN, LEORA CHASTEEN and HARRIET and PHIL DAVIS are members of the Stanislaus County CP.

ACTION: File.

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